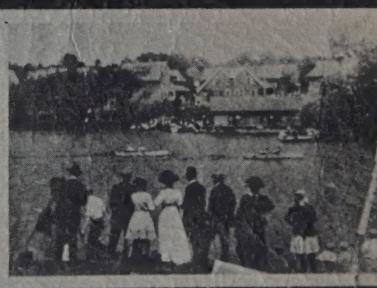
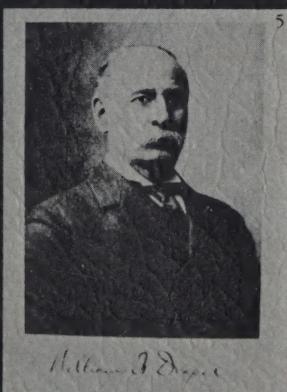
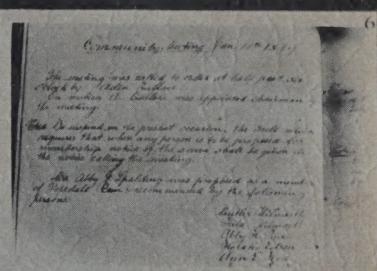
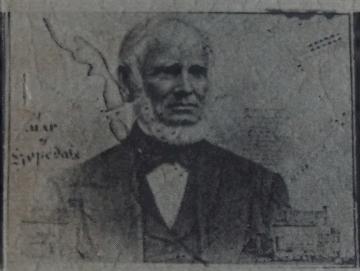


TOWN OF HOPEDALE



- 1 ADIN BALLOU (BACKGROUND IS MAP OF HOPEDALE CIRCA 1850)
- 2 ADIN BALLOU'S RESIDENCE (NOW 64 DUTCHER STREET)
- 3 UNION EVANGELICAL CHURCH
- 4 ADIN BALLOU STATUE - ADIN BALLOU PARK
- 5 WILLIAM F. DRAPER - ONE OF THE GREAT ENERGETORS TO THE TOWN
- 6 EXCERPT FROM RECORDS OF RECORDINGS OF FRATERNAL COMMUNITY NO. 1, JANUARY 10, 1847
- 7 ELASTIC FABRIC COMPANY BOARDING HOUSE - CORNER OF DUTCHER & FREEDOM STREETS
- 8 REGATTA ON HOPEDALE POND - CIRCA 1920

COVER: Layout and photography by Roger V. Burns, Jr. in 1972 are top left – Reverend Adin Ballou, founder of the Hopedale Community, with map of Hopedale circa 1854; middle left – Adin Ballou's residence, now 64 Dutcher Street, which was originally located on the site of the Ballou Park on Hopedale Street; lower left – original Union Evangelical Church; top center – Adin Ballou Statue; bottom center – General William F. Draper, Congressman and Ambassador to Italy; top right – Excerpt from the records of the Recordings of Fraternal Community No. 1, January 10, 1849; middle right – The Park House (Elastic Fabric Company Boarding House) once located at the corner of Dutcher and Freedom Streets; lower right -- Regatta on Hopedale Pond circa 1920 as part of the Draper Field Day.

EIGHTY-EIGHTH

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

TOWN OFFICERS

of the

TOWN OF HOPE DALE



for the

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1973

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

UNITED STATES SENATOR	LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Edward M. Kennedy	Donald R. Dwight
Edward W. Brooke	
GOVERNOR	TREASURER
Francis W. Sargent	Robert Q. Crane
SECRETARY OF STATE	ATTORNEY GENERAL
John F. X. Davoren	Robert H. Quinn
AUDITOR	U. S. REPRESENTATIVE
Thaddeus Buczko	THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
STATE SENATOR MIDDLESEX AND WORCESTER DISTRICT	Harold D. Donohue
Edward L. Burke	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REPRESENTATIVES GENERAL COURT EIGHTH WORCESTER DISTRICT	Paul X. Tivnan
Thomas E. Creighton	Walter F. Kelly
Frederick L. Kenney	Phillip J. Philbin

GENERAL INTEREST

Town of Hopedale – Incorporated April 7, 1886

POPULATION	AREA
4,292	5.34 Square Miles
ELEVATION	ROAD MILEAGE
271.94 feet above sea level at Town Hall	17.01 Not including State Highways
TAX RATE	REGISTERED VOTERS
\$66.40	2,450
ASSESSED VALUATION	ANNUAL ELECTION
Real Estate \$23,298,350	First Monday in March
Personal Property \$670,950	
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING	
First Monday in May	

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS – 1973

Moderator

Edwin A. Howard 1974

Selectmen

Carl R. Bresciani, Chairman 1974

Richard T. Moore 1975

John A. Hayes 1976

This Board also comprises the Board of Water Commissioners and the Fence Viewers.

Town Clerk

Mortimer C. Dennett 1974

Treasurer

Anthony D. Perry 1974

Tax Collector

A. Harold Soderberg 1974

Board of Assessors

Alfred A. Norman, Chairman 1974

Charles R. Cox 1975

Perry K. MacNevin 1976

School Committee

William D. Fitzgerald 1975

Vincent J. Arone 1976

Walter O. Hoffman, Chairman 1974

Barnard J. Marcus 1974

Vincent E. Rubeo 1976

Donald S. Dow, Secretary

Trustees of Public Library

Howard L. Smith, Chairman 1975

Leola Stearns 1976

Barbara F. Turner 1974

Road Commissioners

Benjamin F. Phillips 1975

Merwin L. Noyes 1976

Donald R. Fafard, Chairman 1974

Park Commissioners

Anthony F. Manzola, Chairman 1974

Charles E. Hensel, Jr. 1975

Thomas F. Stock 1976

Housing Authority

Edward J. Malloy 1974

Harold H. Stearns 1974

M. Russell Dennett, Chairman 1976

Robert J. Brown, Vice Chairman 1977

Harold W. Ward, Treasurer 1978

Mrs. Barbara M. Fisher

Executive Director & Secretary

David T. Pagnini, Counsel

Planning Board

James W. Ronan, Clerk 1974

John R. Cicchetti 1975

Robert M. Phillips 1976

W. Gregory Burrill 1977

Edward L. Condon, Chairman 1978

Member Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee

Roger V. Burns 1975

Constables

W. Chester Sanborn 1974

Raymond J. Gaffney, Jr. 1974

John L. Moran, Jr. 1974

Robert B. Taylor, Jr. 1974

Robert M. Phillips 1974

Tree Warden

Richard Bethel 1974

Sewer Commissioners

Benjamin F. Phillips, Chm. 1974

Randell F. Sample 1976

Howard E. Whitney 1975

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN – 1973

Clerk of Selectmen		
Alice S. Boyd	1974	
Finance Committee		
Eudoxia Carchio	1974	
Resigned 9/20		
Robert D. Donley, Clerk	1974	
J. Craig Travers	1975	
Americo Calarese	1975	
William E. Quirk	1975	
Victor G. Lamothe, Chm.	1973	
Raymond E. Andreotti		
James A. Chandler, Jr.		
Town Accountant		
Millard Lovejoy (Resigned)		
Arthur Young		
Board of Registrars		
Earl E. Killion, Chm.	1974	
Henry L. Cyr, Sr.	1975	
Paul R. Bresciani	1976	
Mortimer C. Dennett, Clerk		
Dog Officer		
Angelo Rosati	1974	
Lock-Up Keeper		
W. Chester Sanborn	1974	
Supt. Insect Pest Control		
W. Chester Sanborn	1974	
Inspector of Wires		
Albert J. Shimkus	1975	
Forest Fire Warden		
Chief Herbert S. Durgin	1974	
Board of Appeals		
James J. Larkin, Chm.	1974	
Eldon S. Biggs	1975	
Philip W. Mallard	1976	
Associate Members		
Charles H. Espanet, Jr.	1975	
Norma E. Thurston	1975	
Council on the Aging		
James F. Tracy, Chairman	1973	
Edward J. Sannicandro	1973	
Olga T. Till	1973	
Jennie I. Young	1973	
C. Victor Pepper	1973	
Edward L. MacDonald	1974	
Harold H. Stearns	1974	
Cora Girvin	1974	
Alfred N. Dinardo	1975	
Conservation Commission		
James Johnson	1973	
Thomas F. Stock	1973	
Richard F. Schmitt, Vice Chm.		
Robert A. Rocks, Chairman	1974	
John J. Bacon	1975	
Elisabeth Rose		
Associate Members		
W. Maynard Draper		
Robert J. Coseatta		
Arnold F. J. Nealley, Jr.		
Charles A. Watson		
W. Chester Sanborn		
Director of Civil Defense		
C. Victor Pepper		

Term is one year unless otherwise noted.

Town Counsel

Atty. Robert S. Phillips

Burial Agent of Deceased Veterans

Frederick L. Lescoe

Agents of Board of Health to**Sign Burial Permits**

Mortimer C. Dennett

Alice S. Boyd

Community Service Board Member

C. Victor Pepper

Director of Veterans Services

Anthony J. Mastroianni

Custodian of Town Hall

James L. McAuliffe, Jr.

Regional School Planning Committee

Paul R. Francis

Dr. William Fitzgerald

James A. Chandler, Jr.

Deputy Tax Collector

Robert Laz, Norfolk, Mass.

Insurance Advisory Committee

Nancy J. Norling

Donald S. Dow

Herbert S. Durgin

John J. Johnson

Roger J. Morell

Public Weighers—Hopetdale Coal & Ice

Ronald C. Taylor

M. Russell Dennett

Mildred E. Irving

Walter L. Brousseau

James Mulheron

Draper Division, Rockwell Int'l.

Antonio B. Alves

Domenic Cellozzi

John Clark

Allan Forget

Paul Haynes

Lionel Lavergne

Robert Morin

William McClure

Rosenfeld Washed Sand & Stone Co.

Joseph DiAntonio

Horace Fafard

Nathan Ferman

Louis Gentilli

Benjamin Green

David Hayward

Francis Hayward

Irving Janock

Harry Rosenfeld

Joseph Rosenfeld

Wilfred Tessier

Arthur Vesperi

Primo Zachilli

Jordan Carp

Hopetdale Historical Commission

Donald S. Dow 1975

Winifred S. Quance 1975

Ann E. Huff 1974

Mortimer C. Dennett 1974

Robert P. Wood, Jr. 1973

Howard Weaver 1973

Mary Scahill

Assoc. Roger V. Burns, Jr.

Measurers of Lumber

James T. McGrath

Wilfred G. Nichols

Ernest R. Young

Industrial Development Commission		Sanitation Officer	
Richard T. Moore, Chm.	1974	Benjamin F. Phillips	1974
Howard Fafard	1975		
Dennis Sciole	1976	Milk Inspector & Collector	
David Calarese	1977	Joanne Francis	1974
Catherine V. Bavosi	1978		
		Plumbing Inspectors	
Industrial Development Finance Authority		Harold W. Anderson	1974
Arthur C. Young	1974	Robert J. Rossetti	1974
Howard A. Fafard	1975		
Thaddeus R. Jackson	1976	Public Health Officer	
Atty. David T. Pagnini	1977	Dr. John R. Cicchetti	
Anthony D. Perry	1978		
		Inspector of Animals	
Board of Health		W. Chester Sanborn	
Rolland J. Morin, Clerk	1975		
Joanne Francis	1976	Regional Refuse Disposal	
Robert J. Coseatta, Chm.	1974	Planning Committee	
Carol A. Pellegrino, Clerk		Atty. J. Laurence Doyle	
		Benjamin F. Ferigno	

HOPEDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SUPERINTENDENT
Mr. Donald S. Dow

JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Albert C. Sayles	Principal
Mr. Robert F. Pagnini	Assistant Principal
Mr. John B. Atwood	Guidance Director

Mrs. Margaret Allen	Mrs. Barbara Kingsley
Mrs. Concetta Brucato	Mr. Donald Klocek
Mr. Joseph Burke	Mr. Bernard Kushlan
Mr. Paul Caissie	Mrs. Jean K. Lewis
Mrs. Donna Eagan	Mr. Daniel Nicholson
Mrs. Lucille Ela	Mrs. Stefanie Nicholson
Mrs. Margaret Fairbanks	Mr. William Rich
Mrs. Barbara M. Feeney	Miss Elizabeth Robjent
Mr. Louis Fraga	Mrs. Florence Rose
Mr. Richard Gablaski	Mr. Douglas Schmidt
Miss Shirley Greene	Mr. Joseph Spinazola, Jr.
Mr. Francis X. Hanam	Mrs. Regina Stare
Mr. Jack Haringa	Mrs. Leola Stearns
Mrs. Paulyne Howard	Mrs. Jeannette Twomey
Mrs. G. Ruth Howard	Mr. Robert Wood
Miss Adele Kearnan	Mr. H. Robert Zinck
Mr. Henry Kelley	
Mr. E. Perry King	
	Mrs. Mary Perry — leave of absence

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Mr. Roger J. Morell	Principal
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PARK STREET SCHOOL

Miss Franciline Burch	Mrs. Hazel Vignone
Mrs. Margaret L. Stanas	Mrs. Georgia Wells

MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Mrs. M. Louise Brown	Mrs. M. Frances Rae
Mrs. Dorothy Curtis	Mrs. Mary Lee Speroni
Mrs. Janice Fielder	Mrs. Marguerite Stanas
Mrs. Ann Greene	Mrs. Ann Marie Sullivan
Mrs. Linda Gross	Mrs. Janet Wagman
Mrs. Jacquelyn Kleya	Miss C. Dorothy Wheatley

DUTCHER STREET SCHOOL

Mrs. Kathryn Behrens	Mrs. Ruth O'Connor
Mrs. Frances Durgin	Mr. Lee Packard
Miss Mary Jokinen	Miss Joyce Ripley

SPECIAL SUBJECT TEACHERS

Mrs. Barbara Baker	Art
Mrs. Joan Burke	Physical Education
Mr. Joseph Burke	Instrumental Music
Mrs. Carolyn Cialdea	Physical Education
Mrs. Alice Creighton	Reading Supervisor
Miss Jacqueline Gadoury	French
Mrs. Elmira Giacomuzzi	Reading
Mrs. Pearl Karlin	Speech Therapist
Mrs. Allegrine Reid	Music
Miss Dorothy D'Alessandro	Guidance Counselor

LUNCHROOM PERSONNEL

Mrs. Marion Prentiss, Manager

Mrs. Sadie Barrows	Mrs. Hilda Hammond
Mrs. Edith Berry	Mrs. Gladys Johnson
Mrs. Frances Gattozzi	Mrs. Anita Leoncini
Mrs. Pierrette Griggs	Mrs. Pia McDonough
Mrs. Jean Guglielmi	Mrs. Amy Norman

TEACHER AIDES

Elementary

Mrs. Betty Bean	Mrs. Gloria Lewis
Mrs. Margaret Derderian	Mrs. Carol Rowe
Mrs. Virginia Desjourdy	Mrs. Ann Valerio

High School

Patricia Fontecchio	Sandra Kimball
David Guglielmi	Joan Pannichelli

SECRETARIES

Mrs. June S. Carlson	Mrs. Esther DeVita
Mrs. Charlotte Dec	Mrs. Norma Villani

Emergency Employment Act Employee

Miss Melissa Gould

JANITORS

Mr. Andrew Bernardi — part-time	Mr. Anthony Imbruno
Mrs. Francis Coffey	Mr. Alfred Tomassini — part-time
Mr. Domenic Comastrà	Mr. Thorald Wells
Mr. John Cowen	

BUS DRIVERS

Mr. Domenic Comastrà
Mrs. Joanne Head
Mr. Charles Krauss

Mrs. Priscilla Mullin
Mrs. Marcelle Sardonini
Mr. Robert Wright

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Janet Tosches, R.N.

SCHOOL PHYSICIANS

John R. Cicchetti, M.D.

Felix Perriello, M.D.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

W. Chester Sanborn

Report of the
Hopedale
Town Finance Committee
to the
Annual Town Meeting
March 12, 1973



TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF HOPEDALE:

In accordance with its duty, as provided in the town by-laws, the Finance Committee has given careful consideration to all Articles in the Town Warrant involving the expenditure of money and presents herewith its recommendations.

18 MONTH BUDGET

Our deliberations this year were especially difficult because of Chapter 849 of the General Laws and its amendments requiring all cities and towns in Massachusetts to submit one budget for the 18 month period 1 January 1973 through 30 June 1974. Budgets thereafter will be on a fiscal year basis rather than the present calendar year. The new law also provides for 2 tax payments per year beginning in the fall of 1973. This first payment will be based on 2/3 of the full 18 month tax levy, with the remaining 1/3 payable in the Spring of 1974.

The Legislature's expressed purpose and intent in enacting the new fiscal cycle was to conform the accounting periods of the Commonwealth's political subdivisions to that of the Commonwealth so as to facilitate implementing improved budget and appropriation procedures and to improve the collection of property taxes.

The 18 month budget shows extraordinary expenses in some areas due to winter snow and heating seasons. This is especially apparent in the Highway and School budgets. The uncertainty of the 18 month budgeting prompted this committee to recommend doubling the reserve fund from \$15,000. to \$30,000. Last year \$80,000. of free cash was applied to the tax rate. Our free cash position which is very low now, should improve in the next budget period as 18 months available funds should be certified for use during the first 12 month fiscal year. The property tax picture should improve once the permanent fiscal cycle is implemented. This committee recommends the transfer of \$27,000. from free cash to apply to the tax rate.

REVENUE SHARING

In October of 1972, the State and Local Fiscal Assistance Act became a reality providing revenue sharing funds for states, countries, cities and towns. The program requires that funds be kept in a trust account to be spent in the following areas only:

I. Ordinary and necessary maintenance and operating expenses for:

- A. Public safety
- B. Environmental protection
- C. Public transportation
- D. Health
- E. Recreation
- F. Libraries
- G. Social services for poor or aged
- H. Financial administration

II. Ordinary and necessary capital expenditures authorized by law.

The town of Hopedale has received funds totaling \$91,602. to date, representing the 1972 entitlement. The finance committee has estimated our total entitlement during the 18 month period to be \$206,102. which includes the \$91,602. already received and 5 quarterly payments of \$22,900. beginning in April of 1973. These payments should continue at approximately the same level for 4 more years.

Your finance committee, selectmen and other town officials met on several occasions to set policy on revenue sharing procedure. We strongly favored using the money for property tax relief and to embark on as few new programs as possible during the initial 18 month period, thus holding expenses to a minimum or reducing them wherever possible.

Rather than pay specific items from the trust account, the same goal could be attained smoother and more economically by paying the cost of one entire department budget plus one or two capital items from the funds. This determination was reached after consulting with town accountant, town treasurer, selectmen and appropriate state officials. The fire department budget was the logical candidate for inclusion since its total was closest to Hopedale's total entitlement. Therefore, it is the feeling of your committee that recommendation as set forth here should be adopted by the Town Meeting.

Finance Committee recommended use of Revenue Sharing

Article #4	1 Highway Vehicle	\$16,000.
Article #5	Fire Budget, Resuscitator, Airpaks	181,272.
Article #26	Weed Control	8,000.
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	Total	\$205,272.
FINANCE COMMITTEE ESTIMATED ENTITLEMENT		\$206,102.

BUDGETING POLICY & RECOMMENDATIONS

Your finance committee, while meeting with departments and various town officials, in its attempt to hold down expenditures for the best interest of the tax paying citizens of Hopedale, took the following action:

1. Removed several items of expense and suggested reductions of others in the General Government budget.
2. Gave an unfavorable recommendation to Article #2 and #23 pertaining to Wage, Salary Survey and Salaries of Elected Officials.
3. Turned down the Board of Health budget, later recommending a revised budget reduced by \$7,000.
4. After extensive consultation with the Highway Commissioners, and with their cooperation, sliced the Highway request by \$14,000. and one vehicle.
5. Reduced the council on aging request from \$12,438 to \$11,588.
6. Suggested reduction of estimated interest on temporary loans by \$2,000.
7. Asked that mosquito control be cut from \$6,000. to \$4,000.

At a later date, faced with a large estimated tax rate based on figures from the assessors office, this committee reconsidered several items and made the following additional reductions:

1. Disapproved new well article #27.
2. Recommended unfavorable action on article #21 fire alerts.
3. Recommended article #4 be reduced \$5,000. by removal of 1 truck.
4. Recommended police dept. budget be reduced by \$6,041 by eliminating an extra man.

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS

If all town requests are approved, there will be a total appropriation of \$3,252,888. As of this printing, no word has been received

from the Commonwealth regarding reimbursements which could have a direct bearing on our tax rate, up or down. On the basis of information obtained from the Assessors, it is estimated that the 1972 assessed valuation of the town will be approximately \$23,911,000.

The following condensed summary indicates the Assessor's estimate for 1973-74 and transfers from the reserve fund during 1972. The figures show an increase of \$8.00 over last year's 12 month tax rate. This estimate will be reduced if committee recommendations are followed.

1972 Reserve Fund Transfers

Appropriation		\$15,000.0
Transfers		
Board of Health	\$4,638.84	
Highway	3,786.00	
Historical Commission	15.80	
Legal Fees	500.00	
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Total Transfers:	\$8,940.64	—\$8,940.64
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Unused balance returned to town:		\$6,059.36

TAX RATE FOR 1972 AND ESTIMATED RATE FOR 1973-74 18 MONTHS

Estimated Expenditures		
Appropriations	\$1,954,183.55	\$3,252,888.00
County & State Assess.	154,089.07	275,779.92
Deficiency		
Overlay	53,367.38	100,000.00
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TOTAL	2,161,640.00	3,628,667.92

Estimated Receipts		
General Fund	373,316.61	560,000.00
Federal Revenue Sharing		206,102.00

Motor Vehicle Excise	128,000.00	192,000.00
All Other	10,876.00	10,095.00
County & State Overestimates	5,427.13	1,975.00
Water & Sewer	86,520.00	122,250.00
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TOTAL	598,712.61	1,092,422.11
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Net Expenditures		2,536,245.81
Less Estimated Amount to be Transferred from Available Funds		39,000.00
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BALANCE to be Raised by Taxation		2,497,245.81
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ASSESSED VALUATION		23,911,000.00
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		18 Month
	1972 Actual	Estimate
Tax Rate/Thou.	\$61.00	Est. \$104.50
		(69. —12 mos.)
		(35.50—6 mos.)

Estimated Figures Submitted by Board of Assessors

			Requested
	1972	1973-74	Percent
	Appro.	Expended	18 Month Increase

Article #2

Salaries elected officials \$ 9,500 \$ 9,500 \$ 15,300 161%
 Disapproval recommended, lower appropriation provided for in Article #3, Item #5.

			Recomm.
	1972	1973-74	Percent
	Appro.	Expended	18 Month Increase

Article #3

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

1. General Government	\$ 42,676	\$ 42,598	\$ 67,847	159%
2. Town Accountant	1,000	1,000	1,500	150
3. Town Counsel	1,250	1,250	1,875	150
4. Legal Fees	400	400	1,500	375
5. Salaries Elected Officials ..	9,500	9,500	14,250	150
6. Planning Board	480	57	500	104
7. Town Hall Expenses	5,390	5,239	9,900	183

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

8. Police Department	69,123	68,443	\$ 110,413	158
9. Police Cruiser	3,300	2,894	3,300	
10. Police Radio			1,000	
11. Civil Defense	720	720	1,350	187
12. Tree Warden	2,000	1,938	3,320	166

HEALTH AND SANITATION

13. Board of Health	11,035	11,035	20,966	190
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HIGHWAYS

14. General Expenses	123,865	122,230	216,224	175
15. Surplus Property			1,500	

STREET LIGHTING

16. Street Lighting	12,000	12,000	22,750	172
17. Street Light Improvement	2,000	168	3,000	150

COUNCIL ON AGING

18. Council on Aging	5,000	2,706	11,588	231
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HISTORICAL COMMISSION

19. Historical Commission	250	250	645	258
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VETERANS' BENEFITS

20. Veterans' Benefits	19,500	17,290	30,920	159
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SCHOOLS

21. School Dept. General	1,097,595	1,094,254	1,093,891	179
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LIBRARIES

22. Library General	21,790	21,790	35,565	164
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	1972 Appro.	1972 Expended	Recomm. 1973-74 18 Month	Percent Increase
RECREATION				
23. Park Dept.	19,645	18,582	23,555	119
24. Conservation	2,185	419		
UNCLASSIFIED				
25. Pensions	14,212	14,212	21,318	150
26. Insurance	20,000	20,000	38,594	193
27. Town Cemetery	475	475	700	149
28. Memorial Day	500	440	1,000	200
29. Group Insurance	23,500	22,866	37,500	159
30. Reserve for Self Ins.	3,000	1,963	4,500	150
UTILITIES				
31. Water Dept.	60,450	60,287	93,021	154
32. New Equipment	2,800			
MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST				
33. Maturing School Bonds	70,000	70,000	70,000	100
34. Maturing Bridge Bonds	4,000	4,000	4,000	100
35. Maturing Fire Truck (old)	5,000	5,000	9,000	180
36. Maturing Fire Truck (new)			10,000	
37. Interest on Temp. Loans ..	15,000	8,129	20,000	133
38. Interest on School Bonds	19,545	19,545	35,032	174
39. Interest on Bridge Bonds	256	256	128	
40. Interest on Fire Truck Bond (old)	470	470	348	
41. Interest on Fire Truck Bond (new)			3,000	
TOTALS:	\$1,689,912	\$1,662,406	\$2,865,500	

	1972 Appro.	Expended	18 Month	Requested 1973-74	Percent Increase
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Article #4

Highway Vehicles	18,000	1,573	21,000
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Recommend reduction to \$16,000 to help offset increased 18 month tax rate.

Article #5

Fire Department				
1. Fire Dept.	112,350	112,341	179,552	159%
2. Fire Air Paks			1,320	
3. Resuscitator			400	

Article #9

Insect Pest Control	3,200	45	1,875
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Article #10

Dutch Elm Disease	2,600	2,038	1,875
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Article #11

Reserve Fund	15,000	8,941	30,000
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Article #12

Chapter 90—Maintenance	400	400	1,200
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Article #13

Chapter 90—Reconstruction	3,450	3,450	8,000
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Article #14

Chapter 90—100% reimbursable		NO FIGURE AT THIS TIME
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Article #15

Blackstone Valley Vocational School	33,092	33,092	47,669
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Article #16

Central Mass. Reg. Plan ..	429	429	680
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Article #17

Mosquito Control		4,000
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Article #21

Fire Signal Devices		4,500
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Disapproval recommended, worthwhile purchase but should be postponed.

			Requested
	1972	1973-74	Percent
	Appro.	Expended	18 Month Increase

Article #23

Wage and Salary Program 2,500
Disapproval recommended, non-essential item should be further studied.

Article #26

Weed Control 8,000

Article #27

New Well 16,000
Postponement recommended due to impact of 18 month tax rate.

Article #29

Rubbish	20,300	20,300	37,500	185
Total non-reoccurring expenses ..	25,800			
GRAND TOTAL:	\$1,924,533		\$3,233,596	

Article #30

Transfers

1. Transfer from free cash ..	81,000	27,000
2. Isabella Chase Fund	5,000	5,000
3. Overlay surplus	11,000	17,000
TOTAL TRANSFERS:	\$ 97,000	\$ 49,000

We wish to thank all department heads for their cooperation during this very difficult year.

Respectfully submitted,

HOPEDALE FINANCE COMMITTEE

WALTER E. PARADISO, Chairman
VICTOR G. LAMOTHE, Vice-Chairman
EUDOXIA CARCHIO, Clerk
ROBERT D. DONLEY
AMERICO R. CALARESE
D. CRAIG TRAVERS
RAYMOND E. ANDREOTTI
WILLIAM E. QUIRK, JR.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Nearly sixty years ago, President Calvin Coolidge wrote: "Our public men, as a class, are inspired by honorable and patriotic motives, desirous only of a faithful execution of their trust from the executive and legislative branches of the States and Nation down to the executives of our towns, who bear the dignified and significant title of selectmen. Public men must expect criticism and be prepared to endure false charges from their opponents. It is a matter of no great concern to them. But public confidence in government is a matter of great concern." We are indeed fortunate in Hopedale to have as our elected and appointed officials, men and women of the caliber described by President Coolidge. In this eighty-eighth annual report of the Board of Selectmen which follows and the other reports of town officers in this volume, it is our expectation that the continued confidence of the people of Hopedale in their local government will be fully justified despite the diminished public confidence at the federal level.

Your Board of Selectmen held 26 regular meetings, 6 special meetings and several administrative sessions during 1973. In 1973, the Board processed and issued 25 zoning permits including 9 referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals for the requisite hearing. In this regard, one of the most significant developments of the year was the adoption by the voters of a revised zoning by-law which, we believe, will serve the town well for the future and aid this Board in the administration of the zoning regulations.

As authorized by vote of the Town, the Board renewed two licenses for package stores and one club license for a total of \$1,805.00 in fees. Other licenses were issued for a total of \$550. The amount of \$153.00 was turned over to the Selectmen by the Inspector of Wires, Albert J. Shimkus, as income from 48 wire inspections. In accordance with Chapter 140, Section 157 of the General Laws, two hearings were held on dog complaints and appropriate action taken.

Acting in accordance with the vote of the Annual Town Meeting, the Board directed the Town Counsel to represent the Town in several matters before the District and Superior Courts and at several hearings. Perhaps of greatest significance to the Town was the successful defense of the ruling of the Zoning Board of Appeals on the issuance of a zoning permit for the sanitary landfill, thus allowing this project to become operative at a substantial benefit to the community. Town Counsel also continued to work on the transfer of the Rockwell Sewer System to the Town and the re-negotiation of the transfer agreement in light of changes in federal and state regulations. We want to take this opportunity to publicly commend the Town Counsel, Attorney Robert S. Phillips, for his cooperation, advice and counsel during these past months. The Town is indeed fortunate to have a person of his caliber in this important office.

The Selectmen continued this year to play an active role in the strengthening of the Massachusetts Selectmen's Association. The Board supported a progressive slate of officers and the establishment of full-time positions of executive director and

legislative agent to assist the town in matters with the State. During the year, Selectman Richard T. Moore was named by the president of the association as Chairman of the Association's Legislative Committee. Your selectmen, in cooperation with the Selectmen's Association, were successful in convincing the Governor and the Legislature to restore cuts in local aid programs and to fund the police incentive pay program.

The Board of Selectmen wish to thank all of the Town departments and officers for the cooperation they have given to the Board over the past year. We especially want to express our appreciation to all residents of Hopedale for their continued support and assistance. We welcome suggestions and comments from our fellow residents regarding the management of the community in an effort to continue to improve our service to the townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL R. BRESCIANI, Chairman
RICHARD T. MOORE
JOHN A. HAYES
Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board acted on eight applications for endorsements believed not to require approval. The Board approved and endorsed all of the applications as in conformance with the Town By-Laws.

The Board held a public hearing on proposed changes in the Town Zoning By-Laws. The Board voted, with certain amended changes, to recommend favorable action at a Special Town Meeting.

EDWARD L. CONDON, Chairman
JAMES W. RONAN, Secretary
JOHN R. CICCHETTI, M.D.
W. GREGORY BURRILL
ROBERT M. PHILLIPS

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk, in practically all instances, is the custodian of all official town records which have been compiled and filed in his office. Records of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, as well as all the votes taken at Town Meetings, are complete from the year 1886, when the Town was incorporated and separated from the Town of Milford. In this office, the records of the Registrars of Voters are also maintained, as the Town Clerk is ex-officio of that board.

Many legal requirements at the time of a Town Meeting are discharged by the Town Clerk. All By-laws and Amendments, voted by the meetings, must be submitted to the Attorney General for his approval. Unless this is obtained, the By-Laws, or Amendments do not become effective. If approval is received, then the By-laws or Amendments must be published three times, a week apart in the local newspaper, before they become valid.

Chattel mortgages, including those on automobiles and household goods, must also be recorded and discharged with the Town Clerk. Marriage intentions are filed and marriage licenses issued by this office. Other licenses issued include those for hunting and fishing, dog licenses, and renewal permits for storage of gasoline.

The Town Clerk has many duties concerning elections, including the processing of nomination papers, the printing of the ballots for Town elections, the supervision of elections and its workers, and the compilation of the total vote cast for each candidate.

MORTIMER C. DENNETT
Town Clerk

Office Hours:
Monday-Friday 10-12:30
2- 4:00

Telephone
473-2450

REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

Board of Selectmen
Town of Hopedale
Hopedale, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report to you as your appointed Town Counsel.

It is a pleasure to report that for the first time since I assumed office there are no law suits outstanding against the Town of Hopedale.

During the past year a long-standing personal injury case by a citizen against the Town was heard in Westborough District Court which resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff. The judgment was paid by the Town on my recommendation.

The Zoning Board of Appeals case involving the Sanitary Landfill off South Main Street was tried in the Worcester Superior Court. It was decided in favor of the Town and a decree was entered in December dismissing the appeal, clearing the way for this most important project.

The Zoning Appeal Case involving the new Housing for the Elderly Project was heard in the Superior Court in January, 1974. A decree was entered for the Town and the appeal was dismissed.

Many other items of business were the concern of the Town Counsel during calendar year 1973:

The preparation of Articles for the Annual and Special Town Meetings; the lengthy revisions of the Hopedale Zoning By Laws including highly technical matters connected with their passage, approval by the Attorney General and their legal effective date in the Town; a series of meetings with the Milford Sewer Commission in behalf of the residents of Villa Drive, resulting in Hopedale and Milford signing an agreement prepared by me allowing the Villa Drive residents to connect to the Milford system; assistance to the Board of Registrars of Voters in March in setting up procedures for the Sewer Commissioner recount; monitoring of the Union election by the Hopedale Permanent Firemen; and attendance, as Town Counsel, in the many regional school study meetings that have taken place in Mendon and Hopedale.

In addition to the foregoing the most important on-going project is the Town takeover of the Draper Sewer System. This has involved considerable time and

travel on my part, correspondence and meetings with various State boards, agencies, engineers and attorneys for North American Rockwell, both in Hopedale and in Boston.

As a result of my recent meetings with Counsel for North American Rockwell, the Corporation has been considering paying an additional sum to the Town. This combined with their prior Agreement to pay \$250,000.00 would increase their total cash contribution to the Town along with their gift to the Town of the entire sewer system and plant. I anticipate that the legal transfer to the Town of physical plant and system will take place in the Spring of 1974, with the new plant opening in 1976, if all goes smoothly with Federal and State grants and the general state of the economy.

In addition to the foregoing I have attended the weekly meetings of the Board of Selectmen and rendered opinions, both written and oral, to them and to various boards and officials as they have requested them. There are no unanswered formal requests for opinions pending in my office.

I thank all of the many Town Officials and Boards for their cooperation during the year and in particular my sincere appreciation to the Town Hall Office Staff who have been most cooperative in the many requests made of them.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert S. Phillips
Town Counsel

TOWN ELECTIONS

The Town Elections were held at the Hopedale Community House on March 5, 1973. The polls opened at 9:00 A.M. and closed at 8:00 P.M. There were 1,527 votes cast. The results were announced at 11:30 P.M.

The results were as follows:

MODERATOR, Three Years

*Edwin A. Howard, 116 Adin St.	1253
Blanks	274

SELECTMAN, Three Years

Robert P. Giacomuzzi, 5 Plain St.	602
*John A. Hayes, 1 Dec Court	879
Blanks	46

TOWN CLERK, One Year

*Mortimer C. Dennett, 111 Dutcher St.	1311
Blanks	216

TOWN TREASURER, One Year

*Anthony D. Perry, 89 Mill St.	776
M. Russell Dennett, 178 Dutcher St.	681
Blanks	70

TAX COLLECTOR, One Year

*A. Harold Soderberg, 10 Lake St.	1273
Blanks	254

ASSESSOR, Three Years

*Perry K. MacNevin, 88 Mill St.	1201
Blanks	326

BOARD OF HEALTH, Three Years

*C. Joanne Francis, 142 Dutcher St.	1219
Blanks	308

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Three Years

*Vincent J. Arone, 55 Adin St.	1074
*Vincent E. Rubeo, 5 Thayer St.	1110
Blanks	870

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, Three Years

David T. Pagnini, 141 Hopedale St.	562
*Leola L. Stearns, 87 Hopedale St.	867
Blanks	98

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, One Year

*Barbara F. Turner, 38 Highland St.	1168
Blanks	359

*Indicates elected

ROAD COMMISSIONER, Three Years	
Nicholas J. Pannichelli, 71 Greene St.	682
*Merwin L. Noyes, 129 Freedom St.	809
Blanks	36
SEWER COMMISSIONER, Three Years	
Albert P. Carnaroli, 11 Western Ave.	419
*Randell F. Sample, 2 Park St.	630
Richard F. Schmitt, 24 Bancroft Park	389
Blanks	89
SEWER COMMISSIONER, Two Years	
Nicholas J. Pannichelli, 71 Greene St.	664
*Howard E. Whitney, 86 Dutcher St.	792
Blanks	71
SEWER COMMISSIONER, One Year	
Eldon S. Biggs, 45 Bancroft Park	736
*Benjamin F. Phillips, 75 Greene St.	740
Blanks	51
PARK COMMISSIONER, Three Years	
*Thomas F. Stock, 94 Hopedale St.	1296
Blanks	231
PLANNING BOARD, Five Years	
*Edward L. Condon, 322 South Main St.	1138
Blanks	389
HOUSING AUTHORITY, Five Years	
*Harold W. Ward, 119 Greene St.	1241
Blanks	286
HOUSING AUTHORITY, Four Years	
*Robert J. Brown, 18 Highland St.	1220
Blanks	307
TREE WARDEN, One Year	
*Richard Bethel, 21 Warfield St.	1243
Blanks	284

*Indicates elected

RECOUNT OF TOWN ELECTION

Under the authority of Chapter 54, General Laws, Section 135, a recount of Ballots for the office of Sewer Commissioner, one year term, for the Town of Hopedale, was held on Saturday, March 31, 1973, at one o'clock P.M., on the second floor of the Town Hall, Hopedale Street, Hopedale, Massachusetts.

All ballots, including Absentee Ballots, were counted by six (6) counters, two each at three tables, one reading the ballot and the other checking same on Tally Sheet.

Each Candidate had two observers for each table.

Each Candidate had an Attorney of his choice during the Recount. Town Council Robert S. Phillips was present for the Registrars.

Original Vote	Recount Vote
736	Eldon S. Biggs, 45 Bancroft Pk.
740	Benjamin F. Phillips, 75 Greene St.
51	Number of blanks
1527	Total Ballots Cast

Benjamin F. Phillips was declared elected.

PAUL L. BRESCIANI
HENRY L. CYR
EARL E. KILLION
MORTIMER C. DENNETT
Board of Registrars

TOWN WARRANT
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Hopedale, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Hopedale, qualified to vote in elections, to meet at the Hopedale Community House, the fifth day of March, punctually at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes to the Selectmen for the following:

One Moderator for three years, one Selectman for three years, Town Clerk for one year, Town Treasurer for one year, Tax Collector for one year, one Assessor for three years, one member of Board of Health for three years, two members for School Committee for three years, one Trustee of Public Library for three years, one Trustee of Public Library for one year, one Road Commissioner for three years, one Sewer Commissioner for three years, one Sewer Commissioner for two years, one Sewer Commissioner for one year, one Park Commissioner for three years, one member of Planning Board for five years, one member of Housing Authority for five years, one member of Housing Authority for four years, one Tree Warden for one year.

The Polls will close at 8:00 P.M.

And in the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are further required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in Town affairs, to meet in the Dennett Auditorium on Monday at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the twelfth day of March, A.D., 1973, then and there to act upon the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the report of the Selectmen, School Committee, the Fire Department, and any other officers and committees of the Town.

ARTICLE 2. To see what salary and compensation the Town will allow each elected officer for his services.

ARTICLE 3. To raise and appropriate from any surplus or available funds in the Treasury, such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$21,000 from the "Revenue Sharing Trust Fund" for the purchase of a 1973 street sweeper to replace a 1962 Wayne Street Sweeper and to purchase a 1973 one-half ton four wheel drive truck to replace a 1965 International pick-up truck, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$181,272.22 from the "Revenue Sharing Trust Fund" for the maintenance and operation of the Fire Department for the eighteen month fiscal year, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow in anticipation of the revenue for the eighteen month period beginning January 1, 1973 in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and acts in amendment thereof, and including in addition thereto, Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969, as amended, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 7. To see what disposition the Town will make of money refunded from the County on account of the Dog Tax.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the Town.

ARTICLE 9. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Insect Pest Control.

ARTICLE 10. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the suppression of Dutch Elm Disease.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and/or transfer from Overlay Reserve, a sum or sums of money for a Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum or sums of money for the maintenance of streets under Chapter 90, to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of Freedom and Hopedale Streets under Chapter 90, to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to said construction or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the reconstruction of Freedom and Hopedale Streets under Chapter 90, 100% reimbursable clause, to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to said reconstruction, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, being the Town's proportionate share of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bonds, together with expenses of school operation during the eighteen month period, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission District for the eighteen month fiscal year, Section 7, Chapter 40B of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health for a Mosquito Control Program, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 8A of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as established by Chapter 297 of the Acts of 1954 and amended by Chapter 102 of the Acts of 1955, and to establish a development and industrial commission of five (5) members with all of the powers duties thereof as provided in said Section 8A of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to declare an Industrial Development Financing Authority is needed in the Town of Hopedale and that (1) unemployment or the threat thereof exists in the Town of Hopedale, or (2) security against future unemployment and lack of business opportunity is required in the Town, and that unemployment or the threat thereof can be alleviated or the security against future unemployment and lack of business opportunity can be provided, by attracting new industry to the Town or substantially expanding industry existing in the Town through an industrial development project or projects financed under Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1967. The Town Meeting determines that there is need for such an authority and in making this determination, the Town Meeting has taken into consideration the Town's ability to adjust to any expected increase in the demand for municipal facilities and services as a result of the expected increase in employment and business activity from such industrial development.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to change the terms of the following elected officers from one (1) year to three (3) years effective as follows: To fix the term of Tree Warden and the Town Clerk at three (3) years effective at the annual Town Election in 1974. To fix the term of the Town Treasurer and the Tax Collector at three (3) years effective at the annual Town Election in 1975, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 for the Fire Department to purchase a home alerting radio system for all fire fighters, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Town vehicle storage building committee composed of seven members, including representatives of the Highway, Water, Police, and School departments and the Finance Committee, appointed by the moderator to study the need for a building to house town vehicles and other equipment, and if that need is determined, the committee shall further study the location, type of construction, and cost of such a facility, and shall report on their findings at the next annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, for the

mplementation of a job and salary rating system for town employees, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter II of the By-Laws of the Town entitled "Town Meeting" by deleting the present Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section 2. All business of the annual Town Meeting except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as are required by law to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered at an adjournment of such meeting to be held on the first Monday of May at 7:30 p.m.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to add the following Chapter to the Town By-Laws:

CHAPTER XIII

Private Fire and Burglar Alarm Systems

Section 1. No person or corporation shall install or maintain any type of a private fire or burglar alarm system which is connected to the municipal fire or police system, or is designed to automatically call any municipal telephone, or is designed to signal the police or fire department by any means whatsoever, without a permit in writing from the Fire Chief or Police Chief allowing the installation and continued maintenance of the system.

Section 2. Before granting any such permit the Chief of the Department involved may require the submission of such detailed plans, specifications and other technical data as may be necessary to determine the nature and extent of the proposed installation and its compatibility with the existing municipal systems and services. If the system is designed to automatically call the telephone of the department involved, the Chief of said department may require the system to be connected to a separate telephone, the cost of which shall be paid proportionately by the persons connected to said special telephone. Any increased operating costs or connection costs shall also be paid by the applicant. In the case of a continuing obligation for operating costs the permit may be revoked for failure to pay the same.

Section 3. The Chief of the Department issuing the permit may revoke the permit if the installation is a continuing cause of false alarms and the owner, after notice from the Department, fails to correct the cause. The notice of revocation, for this or other reasons, shall be mailed certified mail, postage prepaid, to the owner of the system as his name appears on department records. The notice shall state the cause of revocation and the effective date of the same which shall be not less than seven (7) days after the date of the notice.

Section 4. Whoever violates any provision of this By-Law shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$20.00 for each offense. Each day the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the continuation of a weed control program for Hopedale Pond, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a new 12" diameter gravel wall well to replace the existing well off Greene Street, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, acting in accordance with Chapter 634 of the Acts of 1971, to transfer title of the Hope Street Bridge to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health for Rubbish and Garbage Collection in the Town of Hopedale and authorize said Board to enter into a contract for the Collection of Garbage and Rubbish, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see whether the Town will authorize and direct the Assessors to take a sum of money from available funds to reduce the tax levy for the current year, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof in five or more places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due returns of the Warrant, with your doings thereon to the Clerk of the said Town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale this 14th day of February, A.D., 1973.

RICHARD T. MOORE
WILLIAM B. GANNETT
CARL R. BRESCIANI
Selectmen of Hopedale

ATTEST:

W. Chester Sanborn
Constable of Hopedale

**MOTIONS UNDER WARRANT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 12, 1973**

Article 1. Voted: Unanimously, (Part 1), that the reading of all the reports as printed in the Town Report be dispensed with, and that the said reports be accepted as printed. (Part 2) that the reading of the Report of the Hopedale Finance Committee be dispensed with, and that the report, as printed and distributed at this meeting, be received and placed in the records.

Article 2. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town allow the following annual salary and compensation to each elected officer for his services:

Moderator	\$ 100.00
Town Clerk	1,500.00
Town Treasurer	1,000.00
Tax Collector	1,500.00
Chairman, Board of Selectmen	600.00
2nd Member, Board of Selectmen	450.00
3rd Member, Board of Selectmen	450.00
Chairman, Board of Assessors	1,100.00
2nd Member, Board of Assessors	600.00
3rd Member, Board of Assessors	600.00
Tree Warden	200.00
Chairman, Board of Health	300.00
2nd Member, Board of Health	200.00
3rd Member, Board of Health	200.00
Chairman, Board of Road Commissioners	300.00
2nd Member, Board of Road Commissioners	200.00
3rd Member, Board of Road Commissioners	<u>200.00</u>
	<u><u>\$9,500.00</u></u>

Article 3. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate from any surplus or available funds in the Treasury, such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, as follows: (see report of Finance Committee)

Article 4. By an Amendment to Article 4, made as follows: "That the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$16,000.00 from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for the purchase of a 1973 Street Sweeper to replace a 1962 Wayne Street Sweeper, said sum to be expended by the Road Commissioners." Note: money for purchase of 1973 one-half four wheel drive was defeated.

Article 5. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$181,272 from the "Revenue Sharing Trust Fund" for the maintenance and operation of the Fire Department for the eighteen month fiscal year.

Article 6. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow in anticipation of the revenue for the eighteen month period beginning January 1, 1973 in accordance with the General Laws Chapter 44, Section 4, and acts in amendment thereof, and as amended, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Article 7. Voted: Unanimously, that the sum of \$514.61 refunded from the County on account of the Dog Tax be transferred to the Library Department account.

Article 8. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the Town.

Article 9. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,875.00 for Insect Pest Control, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 132, as amended.

Article 10. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,875.00 for Dutch Elm Disease, along with any sums received from the County under Chapter 132, Section 26D of the General Laws, as amended.

Article 11. Voted: Unanimously that the vote to appropriate the sum of \$30,000.00 for a Reserve Fund, \$13,000.00 to be raised from taxation, \$17,000.00 to be transferred from Overlay Surplus.

Article 12. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 for the maintenance of streets under Chapter 90, to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to enter into any contracts or agreements in relation thereto.

Article 13. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 for reconstruction of Freedom and Hopedale Streets under Chapter 90, to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen, and to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to enter into any contracts or agreements in regard to said construction.

Article 14. Motion made and seconded to pass over Article. So voted.

Article 15. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$47,669.00 for the Capital and operational costs of the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District, being the Town's proportionate share

of the interest and installment reduction of bond principal, to become due on its bonds, together with expenses of school operation for the eighteen month fiscal year.

Article 16. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4680.00 to pay costs and expenses of the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission District for the eighteen month fiscal year as provided in the General Laws, Chapter 40B, Section 7, as amended.

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Article 21. This article was defeated by voice vote.

Article 22. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to establish a Town vehicle storage building committee composed of seven members, including representatives of the Highway, Water, Police, and School departments and the Finance Committee, appointed by the moderator to study the need for a building to house town vehicles and other equipment, and if that need is determined, the committee shall further

study the location, type of construction, and cost of such a facility, and shall report on their findings at the next annual Town Meeting.

Article 23. This article was defeated by voice vote.

Article 24. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to amend Chapter 11 of the By-Laws of the Town entitled "Town Meeting" by deleting the present Section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following:

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Private Fire and Burglar Alarm Systems

Section 1. No person or corporation shall install or maintain any type of a private fire or burglar alarm system which is connected to the municipal fire or police system, or is designed to automatically call any municipal telephone, or is designed to signal the police or fire department by any means whatsoever, without a permit in writing from the Fire Chief or Police Chief allowing the installation and continued maintenance of the system.

Section 2. Before granting any such permit the Chief of the Department involved may require the submission of such detailed plans, specifications and other technical data as may be necessary to determine the nature and extent of the proposed installation and its compatibility with the existing municipal systems and services. If the system is designed to automatically call the telephone of the department involved the Chief of said department may require the system to be connected to a separate telephone, the cost of which shall be paid proportionately by the persons connected to said special telephone. Any increased operating costs or connection costs shall also be apid by the applicant. In the case of a continuing obligation for operating costs the permit may be revoked for failure to pay the same.

Section 3. The Chief of the Department issuing the permit may revoke the permit if the installation is a continuing cause of false alarms and the owner after notice from the Department fails to correct the cause. The notice of revocation, for this or other reasons, shall be mailed certified mail,

stage prepaid, to the owner of the system as his name appears on department records. The notice shall state the cause of revocation and the effective date of the same which shall be not less than seven (7) days after the date of the notice.

Section 4. Whoever violates any provision of this By-Law shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$20.00 for each offense. Each day the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

Article 26. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$8,000.00 from the "Revenue Sharing Trust Fund Account" for the continuation of a weed control program for Hopedale.

Article 27. Motion made and seconded to pass over Article. So voted.

Article 28. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen, acting in accordance with Chapter 634 of the Acts of 1971, to transfer title of the Hope Street Bridge to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Article 29. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$33,700.00 to be expended under the direction of the Board of Health for Rubbish and Garbage Collection in the Town of Hopedale, and authorize said Board to enter into a contract for three (3) years for the collection of Rubbish and Garbage for the sum of \$74,550.00

Article 30. Voted: Unanimously, that the Town authorize and direct the Assessors to take the sum of \$27,000.00 from free cash, and the sum of \$5,000.00 from the Isabella Chase Trust Fund, a total of \$32,000.00 to be used for the purpose of reducing the tax levy for the current year.

Upon motion of Selectman Richard T. Moore duly made and seconded it was
Voted: Unanimously, to dissolve the Warrant at 10:45 p.m.

MORTIMER C. DENNETT
Town Clerk of Hopedale

ATTEST:

TOWN WARRANT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Worcester, ss.

To either Constable of the Town of Hopedale, in said County,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Winburn A. Dennett Auditorium, for a Special Town Meeting, on Monday, the eleventh day of June next, punctually at seven-thirty o'clock P.M., to act upon the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by transfer from available funds a sum of money for the salary of the clerk of the Blackstone Valley Consortium, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Chapter 90 Highway Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the amendments and changes to the Town of Hopedale Zoning By-Laws as contained in the Report of the Zoning By-Law Study Committee, a copy of said Report being on file in the office of the Town Clerk and with the Moderator, said amendments providing that the boundaries of the various districts be changed and reestablished as shown on the Zoning maps accompanying said report, and that the uses, rules, regulations, and restrictions of the various zones shown therein be changed by amendment, addition, and repeal of the present zoning by-laws, all as set forth in said report, or take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way a private way known as Villa Drive, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Excess and Deficiency Account, a sum of money for the purposes of constructing or repairing Villa Drive, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the purposes of construction of a sewer main line on Villa Drive; and that the Selectmen petition the Milford Board of Selectmen for permission to connect said sewer main line on Villa Drive to the Milford sewer line and system in accordance with an agreement between the Town of Milford and the Town of Hopedale; and to authorize the Selectmen to accept a gift of money to be used for the purposes of constructing said sewer mainline line on Villa Drive, and said money to be expended under the supervision of the Sewer Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least five public places in said Town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of the Warrant, with doings thereon to the Clerk of said Town at the time of the meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 24th day of May, A.D., 1973

CARL R. BRESCIANI
RICHARD T. MOORE
JOHN A. HAYES
Selectmen of Hopedale

ATTEST:

W. Chester Sanborn
Constable of Hopedale

REPORT OF VETERANS SERVICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1973.

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Appropriated		\$28,520.00	18 months
Expended	\$13,417.74		
Unexpended Balance		\$15,102.26	

VETERANS' SALARY

Appropriated		\$ 2,400.00	18 months
Expended	\$ 1,600.00		
Unexpended Balance		\$ 800.00	

I wish to express my gratitude to all agencies who have assisted me during the year 1973.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY J. MASTROIANNI
Director

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

June 11, 1973

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by Moderator Edwin Howard at 7:35 p.m. with 150 voters present, constituting more than the required Quorum. Upon motion made by Town Counsel Robert S. Phillips and seconded by Selectman Carl R. Bresciani the meeting voted to dispense with the reading of the entire Warrant and the Town Clerk read the return of the Constable.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate by transfer from available funds a sum of money for the salary of the clerk of the Blackstone Valley Consortium, or take any action in relation thereto.

Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate by transfer from available funds the sum of \$3,678.00 for the salary of the clerk of the Blackstone Valley Consortium.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the Chapter 90 Highway Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Voted: Unanimously, that the Town vote to raise and appropriate by transfer from available funds the sum of \$2,583.00 to the Cahpter 90 Highway Account.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the amendments and changes to the Town of Hopedale Zoning By-Laws as contained in the Report of the Zoning By-Law Study Committee, a copy of said Report being on file in the office of the Town Clerk and with the Moderator, said amendments providing that the boundaries of the various districts be changed and reestablished as shown on the Zoning maps accompanying said report, and that the uses, rules, regulations, and restrictions of the various zones shown therein be changed by amendment, addition and repeal of the present zoning by-laws, all as set forth in said report, or take any action in relation thereto.

A Motion was made by Selectman Hayes and seconded by Selectman Bresciani that the Town vote to adopt the amendments and changes to the Town of Hopedale Zoning By-Laws as contained in the Report of the Zoning By-Law Study Committee, a copy of said Report being on file in the office of the Town Clerk and with the Moderator, said amendments providing that the boundaries of the various districts be changed and reestablished as shown on the Zoning maps accompanying said report, and the uses, rules, regulations and restrictions of the various zones shown therein be changed by amendments, addition, and repeal of the present zoning by-laws, all as set forth in said report.

The Chairman of the Planning Board Edward L. Condon reported that his Board held a Public Hearing on the proposed By-Laws on June 4, 1973, at 7:30 p.m. in the Hopedale Town Hall. A copy of the By-Laws having been delivered to every occupied dwelling in the Town. On June 7, 1973, the Planning Board at a duly called meeting voted unanimously to recommend to this Special Town Meeting that the Town adopt the proposed By-Laws and Zoning map, except for a few amendments the Planning Board would offer at the appropriate time.

The Moderator accepted the report of the Planning Board and declared the Article was properly before the meeting.

Upon motion of Selectman Hayes the following typographical corrections in the text were made: Page 4 change 2.24 to 2.25 the second time; page 4 "occupies" to "occupy"; page 6, insert May 1st; in Section 3.2, change "Section 14" to "Section 15" same page; page 9 change "Section 13" to "Section 14"; page 21 change "Section 11 and 13" to "Sections 11 and 14."

Upon Motion duly made and seconded the following amendment made by Mr. Condon and seconded by Mr. Bresciani was unanimously Voted: "The following is the Zoning By-Law of the Town of Hopedale, Massachusetts and is published in accordance with Section 32 Chapter 40 of the General Laws of Massachusetts. This Zoning By-Law repeals all existing and present Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Hopedale."

Mr. Condon moved, seconded by Mr. Moore that Section 2.12 definition of Commercial landfill be deleted.

Motion defeated 83 to 52.

Mr. Condon moved, seconded by Mr. Hayes an amendment to Section 5.4 "All lots of land shown on a preliminary plan or definitive plan, approved by the Planning Board under the Provisions of Chapter 41, and amendments thereto, and duly recorded with the Worcester District Deeds shall be exempted from the provisions of this By-Law for a period of Five Years."

Adopted unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Condon moved, seconded by Town Counsel Phillips that Section 10.1 (A) be amended as follows. "The Zoning Inspector shall have among others the following duties and responsibilities:"

Adopted voice vote unanimous.

Mr. Condon moved, seconded by Selectman Bresciani to amend Section 10.1 (B) as follows: "To review any application for a zoning permit to determine the conformance of such application with the provisions of this By-Law and to submit in writing to the Board of Selectmen his recommendations."

Adopted voice vote unanimous.

Mr. Condon moved, seconded by Town Counsel Phillips to amend Section 10.1 (C) as follows: "He shall, when instructed by the Board of Selectmen, inspect any use, etc." as listed from that point on in the section in the text.

Adopted voice vote, unanimous.

Mr. Condon moved, seconded by Selectman Bresciani, to amend Section 10.2 as follows: "Accompanied by three prints."

Adopted voice vote, unanimous.

Mr. Condon moved, seconded by Selectman Bresciani, that the following changes be made in the use regulation chart in Section 11, Subsection 11.1.

	RA	RB	C	I	Rec	T	Cem
11.2 Residential							
Single Family	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N
*Two-Family	SP	N	N	N	N	N	N
Residential office or studio	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	N
Private garage for storage of more than three vehicles or more than one truck	SP	SP	Y	Y	SP	Y	Y

Mrs. Francis moved an amendment to Mr. Condon's motion which was defeated on voice vote.

Mr. Condon's motion then was adopted on a voice vote, unanimous.

Mr. Condon then moved the following changes which were adopted by unanimous voice vote:

	RA	RB	C	I	Rec	T	Cem
Establishment for the sale and storage of building equipment, or supplies not considered to be hardware; warehouses	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N

"Textile and paper mills; iron, steel, and metal foundries; (delete
warehouses) and concrete manufacturing and washed sand and
gravel plants; sale and storage of concrete products, sand, gravel
and loam, burrow and clay fill"

	RA	RB	C	I	Rec	T	Cem
non-religious, sectarian or denominational school which is profit making. Non-profit library, museum, art gallery	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Day Care Center	SP	SP	SP	N	N	N	N

Mr. Condon moved, seconded by Selectman Bresciani, to delete Section 12.11, Listing Commercial Landfill as a prohibited use. After prolonged discussion, Mr. Hayes moved to amend Mr. Condon's motion by adding the words "provided it would not render moot the pending Zoning Appeal Case." Mr. Giacomuzzi raised a point of order which the Moderator overruled. Mr. Hayes' amendment was put to a vote and was declared carried on a voice vote.

Town Counsel Phillips then made a motion to reconsider action on said Section 12.11. Motion was declared adopted on a voice vote. Mr. Condon then withdrew his original motion to delete the section. Mr. Condon then moved that Section 12.11 be amended to read "Commercial Landfills and dumps provided that this prohibition is not intended to render moot any present case pending in the Superior Court appealing the decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals with regard to a Sanitary Landfill."

Amendment declared carried on a voice vote. Mr. Condon moved that the map be amended by adding certain commercial areas on Hartford Avenue.

Declared carried by voice vote.

Mr. Ludovico Ambrogi offered an amendment to Section 13.1 which was defeated by a division of the House. Mr. Pannichelli offered an amendment to Section 13.1 which was defeated on a voice vote.

Mr. John Moran moved an amendment that a portion of Mellen, Plain and South Main Streets shown on the map as "Commercial" be zoned "Residential B."

Adopted unanimous voice vote.

At this point, with all amendments acted upon, the Moderator called for a vote on the adoption of the main motion as amended by the foregoing adopted amendments. Failing to get a unanimous voice vote, the Moderator divided the House and a count showed 89 in favor and 13 against. The Moderator declared the article carried.

Consideration came next on Articles 4, 5, 6. The Moderator read an opinion from Town Counsel Phillips stating that for certain legal reasons having to do with failure to comply with legal street lay-out requirements, none of these Articles could be acted upon, as presented, because they would involve the expenditure of public funds for private purposes.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way a private way known as Villa Drive, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Declared out of order and passed over.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Excess and Deficiency Account, a sum of money for the purposes of constructing or repairing Villa Drive, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Declared out of order and passed over.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the purposes of construction of a sewer main line on Villa Drive; and that the Selectmen petition the Milford Board of Selectmen for permission to connect said sewer main line on Villa Drive to the Milford sewer line and system in accordance with an agreement between the Town of Milford and the Town of Hopedale; and to authorize the Selectmen to accept a gift of money to be used for the purposes of constructing said sewer mainline on Villa Drive, and said money to be expended under the supervision of the Sewer Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto.

Upon motion of Town Counsel Phillips, seconded by Selectman Bresciani, it was

Voted: that the Town authorize the Board of Sewer Commissioners to proceed under a certain contract dated September 17, 1908 to file a request with the Town of Milford Board of Sewer Commissioners for a main sewer line connection to serve Villa Drive, South Main Street area, said main sewer line and connection thereto to be constructed in accordance with the provisions of said contract and at the expense of the residents of said area; and that the Board of Sewer Commissioners be authorized for and in behalf of the Town of Hopedale to accept as a gift and as a part of the municipal sewer system said main line and connections when the same has been installed to the approval of the Town of Hopedale Sewer Commissioners.

Upon motion by Selectman Bresciani, seconded by Town Counsel Phillips, it was voted, unanimously, to dissolve the Warrant at 10:58 p.m.

MORTIMER C. DENNETT
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS
For the 18-month Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1974

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Raised by Taxation	\$2,946,248.00	
Less—Transferred from available funds to reduce tax rate	<u>32,000.00</u>	
		\$2,914,248.00
Voted from available funds	<u>205,272.00</u>	\$3,119,520.00
Amount for Final Court Judgment		2,400.00
School Lunch Program		13,225.50
Free Public Libraries		3,219.00
Retirement System		48,192.35
State: Tax and Assessments		20,156.81
1972 Underestimate		.99
County: Tax and Assessments		153,118.65
1972 Underestimate		5,742.58
Overlay		104,662.75
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED		\$3,470,238.63

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	\$ 192,000.00
General Government and Special Assessments	7,110.00
Water Department & Sewer	105,000.00
Estimated Receipts Certified by Commissioner	570,936.17
Voted from Available Funds	205,272.00
1972 State Tax Overestimate	1,975.11
Blackstone Valley Consortium	3,000.00

TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS & AVAILABLE FUNDS

NET AMOUNT RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY \$2,384,945.35

VALUATION

Personal Property	\$ 670,950.00 @ 99.50 M	\$ 66,759.53
Real Estate	<u>23,298,350.00 @ 99.50 M</u>	<u>2,318,185.82</u>
TOTAL	\$23,969,300.00	\$2,384,945.35

Total Taxes Levied on Property in 1973 @ 66.40 M	\$1,591,561.44
Total Taxes to be Levied 1/1/74 thru 6/30/74	793,383.91
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	\$2,384,945.35

ALFRED A. NORMAN, Chairman
CHARLES R. COX
PERRY K. MacNEVIN
Board of Assessors

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health held twenty-four (24) regular meetings, two (2) special meetings for the purpose of awarding a contract for the removal of Household Refuse, and four (4) meetings with the Finance Committee: three dealing with the 18 month fiscal year budget plus one seeking extra funds for aid regarding a birth of a premature infant as stated in Chapter III section 67 with which half of the funds were reimbursed from the Division of Maternal & Child Health.

Appointments for the year were as follows:

Benjamin F. Phillips, Sr.	Sanitation Officer
C. Joanne Francis	Milk Inspector
Carol A. Pellegrino	Assistant Clerk
Robert J. Rossetti	Plumbing & Gas Inspectors
Harold W. Anderson	
John R. Cicchetti, M.D.	Health Officer
Milford Area Visiting Nurse Assoc.	Nursing Service
Mortimer C. Dennett	Agents of Board of Health
Alice S. Boyd	to sign Burial Permits

Medical Services:

Milford Area Visiting Nurse Assoc.
850 Nursing Visits
355 Children Immunized
Total of 7 Immunization and Screening Clinics

Valley Adult Counselling Services
16 Clients and their families

Two Flu Clinics were held
Total of 211 Residents

Diabetic Detection Clinic
100 Residents attended with 6 Positive tests

Rabies Clinic
89 Dogs immunized

In closing, the Board thanks their appointees, their employees, and all other Departments in town for their cooperation.

ROBERT J. COSETTA, Chairman
C. JOANNE FRANCIS
ROLLAND J. MORIN, SR.

REPORT OF THE SANITATION OFFICER

During 1973, I investigated 14 applications for sewage permits. Upon completion of the work connected with these applications, I conducted inspections. A total of \$70.00 was received from sewage permits and was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

A total of 17 sewage complaints were investigated by me; orders were given to ten property owners to clean up their homes and yards following inspection of complaints; one business establishment owner was ordered to clean up his property; two complaints of water in cellars were investigated as were five complaints of water flowing onto the property of residents, the result of improper drainage, some of it caused by construction in Milford.

An order was given to a property owner to fill and seal a well located in the cellar of property owned by him. An uncovered septic tank at a business establishment was also ordered covered.

During the year I attended, with members of the Board of Health, several meetings, among which was a seminar on ordinance variances and another on the State building code as it relates to health matters.

Several meetings were also attended by myself and members of the Board of Health to discuss with Milford officials, drainage, sewerage tie-ins and other matters causing Hopedale residents to experience problems.

In January, February and October of this year, trees affected by Dutch Elm Disease, which were cut down, were burned at the landfill with the permission of the Fire Chief.

A total of 22 offenders of rubbish disposal on public ways rules were apprehended and made to pick up the rubbish. Offenders included residents of Hopedale, Milford, Northbridge, Mendon and Upton.

On February 19th, I reported to the Board of Health that the landfill site off Freedom Street was reaching a state of full capacity and would pose a serious problem in the near future, which has been the case.

In November, I investigated and worked with Draper Division personnel to correct the results of an oil spillage into Spindelville Pond.

During the year, calls relating to the disposal or burial of 14 cats were taken care of by me. Three dogs were ordered restrained by me in the absence of Animal Inspector W. Chester Sanborn.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN PHILLIPS

REPORT OF THE MILK INSPECTOR

In March 1973, I was re-appointed to the position of Milk Inspector and Collector by the Board of Health. All milk dealers that deliver milk and oleomargarine products in Hopedale were contacted by me requesting that their milk and milk products be sent to an authorized laboratory and results of these tests be returned to me. Permits were issued to all dealers having established good quality of their product as determined by State Regulation and a sum of \$41.00 was collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

\$35.00 was turned over to the Town Treasurer for Common Victualers license fees.

It was also decided by the Board that anyone having grievances of milk quality present them to the Board of Health in writing.

C. JOANNE FRANCIS
Milk Inspector

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

During the year 1973 there were 72 Plumbing Permits issued. A total of \$440.00 was collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

ROBERT J. ROSSETTI
Plumbing Inspector

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

During this past year, a fence has been installed at the South Hopedale Play-ground area. A new ball field was created, stones removed, the area raked and seeded. Company A, 181st Engineer Battalion of Milford is to be thanked for the assistance they rendered on work done at the site.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT A. ROCKS, Chairman

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS and WATER DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENT

I submit herewith the following report for the year ending December 31, 1973.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Total area of land for the water supply purposes - 24½ acres.

Source of supply - thirty-three 2½" driven wells and one twenty-four inch gravel packed well.

Mode of supply - Direct pumping into distributions system with overflow to standpipe of 846,000 gal. capacity.

One 300 GPM and one 350 GPM centrifugal pumps each directly connected to electric motor and one gasoline engine. One 150 GPM turbine deep well pump.

STATISTICS ON CONSUMPTION OF WATER

Total consumption of water pumped for year - 129,724,000 gallons

Passed through meters - 111,153,150 gallons

Percentage of used services metered - 100%

Meters in service - 1194

Water purchased - 41,595,900 gallons

Average daily consumption - 470,000

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

Kind of pipe - Cast iron, cement lined, tar coated and transite

Sizes - 2 inch to 12 inch

Total now in use - 13.30 miles

Number of hydrants now in use - 128

Range of pressure on system - 48 to 130 lbs.

SERVICES

Kind of pipe - Cast iron, cement lines and copper tubing

Sizes - 3/4 inch to 8 inch

Total number installed to date - 1003 In use to date - 990

Large number of duplex houses - 1 service, 2 meters

The safe yield of existing wells is being exceeded. The report on development of additional water supply November 1965 told us that it is imperative that additional water supply be developed as soon as it is feasible to do so.

I am grateful for the advice and cooperation of the Board of Water Commissioners, also the various Town departments and other personnel for their able assistance.

GEORGE K. ALLEN
Water Superintendent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Sewer Commissioners, established this year, met for the first time on April 11, 1973. The Board was created because of the impending Town takeover of the Draper-owned sewer system.

The Board has met a number of times with Frank and Allan Morgenroth of the firm of Morgenroth Associates, Consulting Engineers for the Town for the takeover of the system. These meetings have been held in order that the Commissioners can be kept up to date on sewerage system takeover progress.

In November, a meeting was held to arrange for the filing of applications with State and Federal agencies as preliminary steps for acquisition of monetary grants, the initial step toward ownership of the sewerage system.

Present at the meeting were Frank and Allan Morgenroth; Sewer Commissioners Benjamin Phillips (Chairman), Howard Whitney and Randell Sample; Town Counsel Robert S. Phillips and Rockwell International Assistant General Counsel Attorney Arnold W. Canfield.

It was projected at the conclusion of the meeting that applications for funding could be submitted to the State and Federal agencies by the end of December or the first of January 1974.

After many meetings with the Sewer Commissioners of the Town of Milford, this Board has acquired sewer tie-in permits for homes on Villa Drive, four homes on South Main Street and one facility on South Main Street. The homes and the facility will be connected to the Milford sewerage system. The homes are being tied-in under provisions of the 1908 agreement between the two towns.

A number of meetings have been held with members of the Housing Authority, its architect and contractor to discuss and study the best method of connection for sewerage at the proposed 40 unit construction site for the Housing of Elderly Citizens. This matter is still under study and discussion, in order that the best interests of the Town of Hopedale may be served.

During 1973, a problem was discovered in the Mendon Street sewer line. A television camera was sent through the line and a break was found to exist. Because of the necessity of repairing this break, and the fact that the Board of Sewer Commissioners was established without funds, the Board met with the Finance Committee to request the transfer of \$1,000 with which to pay for the repairs connected with this problem. The Finance Committee approved the request and the repairs have been completed.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN PHILLIPS (Chairman)
HOWARD WHITNEY (Clerk)
RANDELL SAMPLE

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The report of the Police Department ending December 31, 1973 is as follows:

Arrests	35
Non-support	1
Stubborn child	1
Motor Vehicle violations	7
Violation of Drug Laws	7
Drunkenness	6
Minor in possession of Alcohol	2
Forgery	2
With warrants	13
Females arrested	1
Males arrested	38
Adults arrested	16
Minors arrested	23
Violation of Motor Vehicle Laws	436
Citations issued	112
Warnings	46
Complaints	59
Arrests	7
Defective equipment	20
Parking violations	304
Accidents investigated	56
Personal injury accidents	20
Property damage accidents	36
Non-resident operators	56
Resident operators	26
Male operators	67
Female operators	21
Minor operators	20
Calls answered (including the following)	1845
Vandalism	51
Larceny	45
Larceny of Motor Vehicles	5
Family troubles	60
Prowlers	49
Bomb scares	3
Breaking, entry & larceny	15
Missing persons	5
Lost and found articles	7
Persons taken to Hospital	21
Summonses delivered	139
Boat permits issued	5
Gun permits issued	64
Gun identification cards issued	46
False Burglar alarms	30

Assistance to other Police Depts.	149
Requests for Police records	13
Street lights reported to Mass. Electric	23
Doors and windows found open or unlocked	122
Private homes checked	170
Security checks of Public Buildings	12,680
Miles travelled	68,888

I have turned over to the Town Treasurer \$763 for Gun Permits, Identification Cards and Accident Reports.

We wish to express our appreciation, for the cooperation and assistance, to the Citizens of Hopedale. The accident rate is down and we will continue to do our best to keep it down.

Respectfully submitted,

W. CHESTER SANBORN, Chief
Police Department

REPORT OF CIVIL DEFENSE

Owing to the emergency crisis, a closer connection has developed between CD and Emergency Preparedness with the Local Authorities. CD is ready with a program to offer in the event of an emergency crisis. These plans are all on paper and could very easily be put into action.

Hopedale's Preparedness questionnaire was fully recorded and returned to CD Headquarters along with other important data.

It is gratifying at this time to note how many of our community have availed themselves of CD's loaning of hospital beds, walkers, crutches, etc., to be used for home care of the ill in the home.

We continue with monthly simulated test messages between 21 towns and have an average of 16 towns participating. Thanks to our radio operators who attend regularly.

Communications are still one of our important ways of accomplishing our aims.

I would like at this time to thank our Fire, Police and Highway Departments for their cooperation on December 17th and 18th, also the kind people who opened their homes to numbers of residents who were without power.

C. VICTOR PEPPER
CURVILLE COX
WILLIAM BURRILL

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Hopedale:

I herewith submit the report of the Hopedale Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1973.

The personnel of your Fire Department for the year was comprised of the following:

1 Permanent Fire Chief
1 Call Deputy Fire Chief
8 Permanent Firefighters (under Civil Service)
30 Call Firefighters

ALARM RESPONSES

From January 1, 1973 to December 31, 1973 the Department responded to 251 alarms and 86 service calls.

A breakdown of the responses is as follows:

184 still alarms, 44 squad calls, and 23 box alarms

Building Fires	21
Brush & Grass Fires	43
False Alarms	10
Dump Fires	3
Gas Appliance Fires	3
Electrical Equipment Fires	8
Oil Burner Fires	7
Chimney Fires	1
Gas Leaks	11
Lost Child	1
Smoke Scares	14
Persons Locked Out	8
Wash Gasoline from Streets	10
Mutual Aid to other Towns	19
Bomb Scares	2
Rescue & First Aid	12
Inhalator & Resuscitator	29
Oven Fires	1
Investigations for possible Fires	12
Rubbish Fires	1
Automatic Sprinkler Alarms	4
Truck & Automobile Fires	14
Automobile Accidents	6
Fallen Wires in Street	11

Service Calls:

Pumping Out Cellars	54
Assistance to other Town Depts.	24
Fire Alarm Trouble Calls	8

Permits Issued 1973

Storage of Flammable Liquids	1
Blasting Permits	2
Permits to Alter & Install Oil Burners	26
Permits to Store Fuel Oil	29
Permits to Decorate Public Halls	2
Permits to Store Acetylene	2
Inspections by Fire Chief	129
Inspections with Town Wire Inspector	12
Inspections with Town Gas Inspector	7
Inspections with Dept. of Public Safety	3
Flow Test for Insurance Co.	8
Inspections with State Fire Marshal	1

Two new fire alarm boxes were added to the Fire Alarm System in 1973

Box 112 South Main Street at Charlesgate Road
Bos 1311 Greene Street opposite number 76 Greene Street

On May 2, 1973, the Fire Department received delivery of the new 85' Maxim Aerial Ladder Truck which was voted at the Town Meeting in March 1972 replacing the 1943 65' Aerial Ladder Truck

Equipment and apparatus for the year ending December 31, 1973:

Central Fire Station, Dutcher Street (needs some repairs)

Apparatus:

Engine 1 1961 Farrar 750 gpm. pumper (in good condition)
Engine 2 1968 Maxim 1000 gpm. pumper (in good condition)
Engine 4 1947 American—LaFrance 750 gpm. pumper (in good condition)
Ladder 1 1973 Maxim 85' Aerial Ladder Truck (in good condition)
1 1964 Chevrolet Van Panel Truck, for emergency calls (fair condition)
1 1953 G.M.C. 1500 gallon Tank Truck (should be replaced)
1 1968 Chevrolet Station Wagon (should be replaced)
7000 ft. of 2½" hose
3000 ft. of 1½" hose
2500 ft. of 1 1/8" hose
3 Generator Lighting Plants
3 Portable Pumps for brush fires
7 Mobile two way radios and 1 base station
1 Portable Radio

50 Street Fire Alarm Boxes

11 Master Fire Alarm Boxes

Approximately 12 miles of aerial wire and 5500 ft. of 8 pair cable

16 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus

I would like to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Police Department, Water Department, Highway Department, School Department, Office Staff of the Town Hall and the Citizens of the Town of Hopedale for their cooperation during the past year.

HERBERT S. DURGIN, Fire Chief
Hopedale Fire Department

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

The Park Department enjoyed a successful season under the supervision of its new Director of Recreation, Paul Lombardi, and its maintenance supervisor, Clayton Wright. Both Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Wright, together with their staff, are to be commended for their fine efforts in directing activities at the Pond, Town Park and South End Park.

Our annual tennis clinic was conducted, once again, for both the youth and adults of the Town. The program was greeted with as much enthusiasm as ever and all who participated expressed complete satisfaction with the presentation of the instructors. Mr. Burke is to be commended for a job well-done.

A golf clinic, under the capable direction of Mr. Jean Stare, was held for interested youth of the Town. Fifteen youths participated in the four session clinic and those participating expressed both interest and optimism in reaping benefit from their instructions.

A traveling troupe of minstrels, who were all students from the University of New Hampshire, came into town for one day of minstreling and puppeteering. They conducted a morning and an afternoon performance at Town Park and the 250 boys and girls from ages 4 to 14 delighted to these witty and talented minstrels. Many children and mothers as well expressed their hopes that the "Little Blue Wagon" would be on our summer schedule again next year. This program, along with the golf clinic, is part of the Commissioners' intent to offer increasing variety to our summer program.

Once again, a variety of activities were available for children of all ages. Shuffleboard, baseball, tetherball, tennis, girl's softball, foul shooting contests and intra-mural basketball were very popular. In addition, there were doll contests, bicycle races, a balloon launch, ping-pong and badminton tournaments, a pie eating contest and checker and chess tournaments. There were also field trips conducted during the summer. These are always very popular with the children and ranged from Southwick Animal Farm to Fenway Park. The annual Parkland picnic closed out the summer park activities.

The swimming program, under the watchful eyes of our qualified Red Cross instructors, was again very successful. The instructors, together with our staff, created swimming teams among the youth of the Town and conducted intramural races on a weekly basis. An adult swim program was also created and many adults participated in the mile-swim program.

There was a total of 12,300 people checking into the bath house during the past summer. This showed an increase of approximately 4,000 bathers from 1972. In addition, 176 children passed various swimming tests this year, an increase of 77 over 1972. This marked increase is indicative of the improved weed condition over the previous season.

Phase Two of our weed control program was implemented in the spring. This consisted of a complete check of the pond and spot treatment of areas showing any signs of remaining weeds. An additional survey was conducted in the Fall with all indications pointing toward a very successful maintenance program. This program is being conducted by Allied Biological Control Corporation of Wellesley.

The arts and crafts program at the Town Park was greeted with the usual enthusiasm. A variety of skills were exhibited by the youth and their talents improved rapidly during the season. A member of the staff was placed at South Park for the purpose of availing arts and crafts to the youth of that area. The schedule was reduced from daily to three days a week because of less interest than expected. It is hoped that interest in that area will improve in the coming season.

Our most sincere appreciation to the Milford National Guard for their efforts in South Park, to the Hopedale Fire and Police Departments for their continued assistance throughout the year, to the Highway Department, the School Department for their assistance in transporting children to playground activities and to the Town Hall staff for their capable assistance to the Park Commissioners.

This season it became necessary for the Park Commissioners to select a new director of recreation. Charles Espanet, due to increased work schedules, could no longer fill the position he so capably filled over the past twenty-odd years. To Charlie, from the present Commissioners and the many past Commissioners who worked with Charlie, from the people of Hopedale and particularly the youth of Hopedale, a most sincere Thank You and best wishes in your new endeavor.

CHARLES HENSEL, JR.
Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS

Numerous projects have been completed by the Department during 1973. Completed was the resurfacing of approximately 2500 feet of sidewalk. The work was done this year, for the first time, by employees of the Highway Department under the supervision of Foreman John Johnson. This type work is, as a rule, done by contractors.

1200 feet of granite curbing was laid in place on Hopedale Street, creating safer and better walking conditions for residents of the Town.

Roads which were resurfaced during the year included Warfield, Mill, Freedom, Progress and Union Streets.

Although snowfall during the 1973 season was minimal, the Department spent much time in sanding and salting operations, the result of several severe ice storms.

The layout of Freedom Street, from the Mendon town line to the Milford town line, was started. This work is to be done under provisions of Chapter 90 and will be started as soon as preliminary work is completed by the County Engineers.

Numerous traffic regulation signs were located on various streets throughout the Town by the Department at the request of the Board of Selectmen and the Chief of Police.

Curbings, traffic lines, guard rails and fences throughout the Town were painted during the year by employees of the Department.

A total of six investigations were conducted into drainage methods used by residents, which resulted in hazardous walking and driving conditions for those using the streets near these homes and businesses. Five of the six residents who were contacted regarding improper drainage of water from their property have corrected the problem. The Road Commissioners are working on correction of the one remaining problem with the property owner.

A 1946 Walters snow fighter truck, which was replaced by a 1973 International all wheel drive, five ton truck was sold after being put out on bids. Highest bidder and purchaser of the Walters truck was Upton Fuel and Construction Company of Upton. The sale price was \$900. At the 1972 Annual Town Meeting, when voters approved the purchase of the new vehicle, they also approved the sale of the Walters, as opposed to using it as a trade-in.

Sold at the same time as the Walters truck was a salt spreader. The spreader was sold to Magliaro Brothers, high bidders, at a price of \$303. A total of \$1203 was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

A 1973 Elgin street sweeper was purchased late in April replacing a 1962 Wayne street sweeper. Purchase of this piece of equipment was approved by voters at the 1973 Annual Town Meeting.

DONALD FAFARD, Chairman
MERWIN NOYES, Clerk
BENJAMIN PHILLIPS

LIBRARY REPORT
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
December 31, 1973

Name of Library	The Bancroft Memorial Library
Town	Hopedale, Massachusetts
Population served (town census 1973)	4,305
Number of days open during the year (Main Library)	272
Hours for lending (Main Library)	30 per week

REGISTRATION

Number of new borrowers in 1973			
Main Library		132	
Branch		5	
Number of persons using reading and reference rooms			2,364
Fines and collections paid to Town Treasurer			\$57.33

INCREASE

	ADULT	JUV.	TOTAL
Number of volumes at beginning of year	17,615	4,078	21,693
Number of volumes added	350	253	603
Number of volumes withdrawn	326	218	544
Total number of volumes			
December 31, 1973	17,639	4,113	21,752
Number of newspapers currently received		3	
Number of periodicals currently received		57	

CIRCULATION

	ADULT	JUV.	TOTAL
Volumes of fiction	12,364	14,929	27,393
Volumes of non fiction	12,392	6,011	18,403
Circulation at Branch	766	476	1,242
Includes school circulation	25,522	21,416	46,938

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

The Librarian respectfully submits the 88th annual report.

During the year, the Bancroft Memorial Library and its Branch at South Hopedale have continued to serve the public in every way possible. The circulation for the year is 46,938 which shows a slight decrease from 1972. We feel this is due to the fact that our Branch was not operating for about three months. The Library is still used a great deal for reference and information.

There were 137 new borrowers registered during the year, 81 in the Children's Room, 51 in the Adult section, and 5 at the Branch.

Mrs. Elizabeth Butcher resigned as Branch Librarian, taking effect on September 1. She had served well in this capacity for ten years. Mrs. Elizabeth Thayer has been appointed to take her place and opened in her home at 25 Warfield Street in November.

A summer reading program for grades 4, 5, and 6 was held, called the Book Parade in which 16 children were registered. "Busy Bees" certificates were presented to 30 children of grades 1, 2, and 3. Award ribbons and paperback books were presented to the children who read the most books.

National Library Week was observed in April with both adult and children's books on display. Mrs. Kleya's and Mrs. Greene's 3rd grade classes visited the library. Children's Book Week was observed in November with books again on display. The Children's Librarian visited the 5th and 6th grades at Dutcher Street School to show some of her new books and give short reviews.

During the year, various classes have visited the library. Mr. Packard brought his classes on January 16, April 11, and September 27 when the students were allowed to select two books apiece from the Children's and Adult sections. Mrs. O'Connor's class visited on January 17, Mrs. Gross on January 24, and Miss Ripley on February 15. In May, Mrs. Vignone brought her class to look up information about Hopedale's public buildings.

Four story hours were held during the year.

The two Librarians attended a Bay Path Club meeting at the Hudson Public Library in May. In November, Mrs. Heron joined the Librarian to attend a meeting of the same club held at the Library at Fort Devens.

Mrs. Florence Northrop, after ten years of service, decided not to seek reelection to the Board of Trustees in March and Mrs. Leola Stearns was elected to this vacancy.

Again, may we call the public's attention to the fact that books which are not available in our library, may be borrowed from Worcester. The Bookmobile still visits us from which we may borrow both books and records. We are also able to borrow films for either an organization or for personal use.

We wish to acknowledge the many gifts of magazines and books presented to us by the Townspeople.

The Library hopes to serve in any way possible during the year of 1974. Again, my heartfelt thanks goes to the Staff and Board of Trustees for their continued support and cooperation.

CONSTANCE L. CLARK
Librarian

REPORT OF THE WIRING INSPECTOR

As your Wiring Inspector for the year 1973 I submit the following report:

47 wiring inspections
1 request inspection of nursing home

A total sum of \$161.00 was taken in for wiring permits and turned over to the Clerk of the Board of Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT J. SHIMKUS
Wiring Inspector

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

As your Inspector of Animals I submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1973:

I have inspected all animals and the premises where they are kept and made my report to the Division of Animal Health;

I have quarantined thirteen dogs that have bitten people and reported to me by the Board of Health.

W. CHESTER SANBORN
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT PEST CONTROL

As your Superintendent of Insect Pest Control I submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1973:

Eighteen Elm Trees were removed which were infected with the Dutch Elm Disease.

Tent Caterpillars were as usual an unsightly insect in the Spring as was the Fall Web Worm in the Fall. However, both insects are harmless and mostly a nuisance.

Massachusetts is putting up a full fledged fight against the Gypsy Moth which will probably be a serious threat next year.

W. CHESTER SANBORN, Superintendent
Insect Pest Control

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

In 1973 the Board of Appeals conducted seven public hearings in response to requests for special permits and petitions for variances from the Zoning By-Laws. Disposition on all hearings were made in writing and were filed with the Town Clerk.

Once again the Board of Appeals wishes to extend its sincere appreciation to the staff at the Hopedale Town Hall for their help and assistance rendered in the preparation of notices and decisions.

The Board also wishes to express its appreciation to John A. Hayes for his conscientious and dedicated efforts while serving as a member of this Board.

JAMES J. LARKIN, Chairman

REPORT OF THE HOPEDALE HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Hopedale Housing Authority submits to you and the Citizens of the Town of Hopedale its twelfth annual report.

The Authority held 12 regular meetings and 9 special meetings during the year 1973. The members also attended 2 meetings of the Blackstone Valley Association of Housing Officials.

All apartments are occupied and the waiting list continues to increase in anticipation of the 40 new apartments to be constructed.

In October of 1973, sub-contract bids were opened for Project 667-2, and in November the General Contract bids were opened. With approval of the Department of Community Affairs, the firm of C. Richard Stevens & Associates of Grafton was selected as the General Contractor.

New construction was to have been started in December but due to a question on variance rulings, all plans to proceed were delayed until the matter is resolved.

M. RUSSELL DENNETT, Chairman
ROBERT J. BROWN
HAROLD W. WARD
EDWARD J. MALLOY
HAROLD H. STEARNS

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

YEAR	EMPLOYEES	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES
1973-4	109	\$1,885,640	1,128,325.80(1973)
1972	107	1,097,595	1,094,254.04
1971	107	1,060,935	1,015,601.27

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The members of the School Committee have voted to adopt the report of the Superintendent of Schools as the Committee's annual report.

MR. WALTER O. HOFFMAN, Chairman
DR. VINCENT J. ARONE
DR. WILLIAM D. FITZGERALD
MR. BERNARD J. MARCUS
MR. VINCENT E. RUBEBO
Hopedale School Committee

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Members of the School Committee
and the Citizens of Hopedale

The five-member School Committee remained unchanged in make-up during 1973 due to the fact that both Dr. Vincent J. Arone and Vincent E. Rubeo were returned to office in the March elections.

Activity by the School Committee followed a normal pattern with fourteen regular committee meetings plus two meetings with the Finance Committee on the subject of the School Budget which covered an eighteen-month period from January 1, 1973 through June 30, 1974. During the first nine months of 1973, Dr. William D. Fitzgerald served as the Committee's representative on the Regional School Planning Committee, with Mr. Walter O. Hoffman succeeding him for the latter portion of the year. Two members of the School Committee also attended conferences at the state and national levels.

A two-year contract between the School Committee and the Hopedale Teachers Association was negotiated with the Committee employing a negotiator for the first time in the person of Attorney Robert S. Phillips. The new contract established teacher salary schedules providing for a 5% increase in 1973-4 and 6% in 1974-5, and eliminated negotiations for one year.

Significant items activated by the School Committee included the addition of teacher aides to the Junior-Senior High School staff in the fall of 1973, with the evaluation of the aide program to be made at the conclusion of the 1973-4 school year. The aides supervise the corridors, lunchroom and other areas during the school day and also perform certain office duties to assist teachers in the preparation of materials.

A cooperative plan between the public schools of Hopedale and Milford was also inaugurated by the School Committee. Under the plan, thirty-two senior high school students were permitted to enroll in the Occupational Education program at Milford High School. Combined classes in Special Education were set up to include Hopedale and Milford students with two classrooms being provided for that purpose in Hopedale and with older children being placed in a Special Class in Milford High. Assistance was also given in Milford's kindergarten program, with one classroom being leased to Milford and another classroom with teacher being made available. The School Committees of the two towns estimated that the contributions by each were roughly equal so no actual expenditures of funds was made with the exception of transportation with each system taking care of its needs in this respect. During the fall months, the plan seemed to work well. Hopedale citizens must realize that Hopedale's continued participation in the Occupational Education program must of necessity depend upon Milford's available space after its own needs are met.

A simulated office program in Business Education was installed in the Junior-Senior High mainly through the efforts of Mrs. Margaret Allen, department head, with the use of Federal funds available for that purpose.

Several one-semester courses were installed in the high school English curriculum, thereby effecting broader schedule offerings for students.

Hopedale's school buildings were improved during the year in a number of instances. Exterior painting was carried out on two elementary schools as well as on one section of the high school building. Interior painting was done in the Dutcher Street School and eight rooms were renewed in the High School. The roof in the original portion of the high school was replaced and sidewalks at that building improved. New lighting was installed in the high school cafeteria. Two basement classrooms in the Dutcher Street School were paneled. Door checks and locks were renovated throughout the buildings.

The Dutcher Street Building continues to be inadequate and costly to maintain. It is not possible to offer the type of program that a modern school plant would provide at the middle school level. Serious consideration should be given to either phasing out or replacing this building.

Included in School Committee discussions during the past year were: approval of the purchase by the music department of risers for stage performances; the present honor roll system in the high school; the purchase of a new school bus from Ward of New England (not yet delivered); the formation of a new athletic league to be known as Dual Valley; a review of mathematics teaching; and the energy crisis as it affects the schools.

In the year ahead, important decisions will face the Committee as it approaches the task of maintaining curriculum standards in the face of a downward trend in enrollments. A table of births in Hopedale for the years 1965 through 1973 may be of value in looking ahead at prospective school enrollments:

<u>Year</u>	<u>No. of Births</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>No. of Births</u>
1973	35	1968	51
1972	35	1967	54
1971	44	1966	51
1970	49	1965	57
1969	58		

Even with movement into existing housing of families with children, as is historically the case, it would appear that rather drastic enrollment reductions are but a few years away. The curriculum available to Hopedale children and the cost of operating the schools are two key matters with which citizens and their school committees must be concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD S. DOW
Superintendent of Schools

GRADUATION AWARDS

June 9, 1973

AMERICAN LEGION AWARD (2 - \$25.00 Bonds)

For good citizenship shown in school given by the Walter H. Tillotson Post #267.

Boy	Stephen Allen
Girl	Janis Butcher

HOPEDALE POLICE ASSOCIATION AWARDS (2 - \$100.00)

To the senior boy and girl who have shown, while a student in the Hopedale Jr.-Sr. High School, exceptional qualities of character and conduct within the community, making them a credit to their parents, their church, and their school.

Boy	William Stock
Girl	Karen Romiglio

LLOYD FITZGERALD PLAQUE

To that student exhibiting outstanding accomplishments in athletics and scholarship and the qualities of a gentleman.

William Stock

HOPEDALE COMMUNITY HOUSE WOMEN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP (\$300.00)

In recognition of outstanding achievement in scholarship and citizenship.

Karen Romiglio

HOPEDALE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION AWARDS (4)

For good scholarship and to one who will study for the teaching profession.

\$300.00	Nancy Young
\$300.00	Donna Lewis
\$100.00	William Stock
\$100.00	Thomas Meade

MILFORD ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP (\$250.00)

For four-year excellence in scholarship.

Ann Wesolowski

KIWANIS SCHOLARSHIP (\$250.00)

Donna Lewis

F. CARLTON MINER PLAQUE

Given by certain alumni in honor of Carl Miner to that boy who has shown outstanding ability in basketball and exhibited the traits of a gentleman.

Richard Gould

F. CARLTON MINER SCHOLARSHIP AWARD (\$200.00)

To that senior boy planning to further his education, who has participated in high school athletics, shown a curiosity in academic work, developed and practiced the attributes of a scholar, sportsman, and true gentleman.

Bradley Wright

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

(4 - \$500.00)

As previously announced at the Annual Alumni Banquet

Lucy E. Day Alumni Award	Maria Best
Winburn A. Dennett Alumni Award	Susan Young
Hopedale High School Alumni Award	Judith Turner
Hopedale High School Alumni Award	Karen Romiglio

CLASS OF 1923 SPECIAL ALUMNI AWARD (\$100.00)

Colleen Carney

CLASS OF 1948 SPECIAL ALUMNI AWARD (2 - \$250.00)

Susan Butcher
Charlene Fafard

CHARLES J. TASKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (\$400.00)

For that senior who has shown the greatest scholastic improvement and exhibited an outstanding character as well

Vicki MacLean

SEWALL M. DRISKO SOCIAL STUDIES AWARD (\$500.00)

Given to that senior boy or girl who intends to further his or her education and exhibits a sincere love of country by the way he or she lives his own life, is dedicated to learning, creativity, the betterment of society, and shows improvement in these areas through his or her high school career and who willingly takes on the responsibilities of good citizenship.

Susan Griggs

CLASS NIGHT AWARDS

June 5, 1973

CLASS OF 1959 FRANCES L. HOLMES AWARD (\$5.00)

For excellence in English.

Judith Turner

BAUSCH AND LOMB HONORARY SCIENCE AWARD

In recognition of outstanding academic achievement, good character and superior intellectual promise in the field of science.

Ann Wesolowski

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP COMMENDATION (2)

For outstanding performance on National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test
this letter of Commendation is awarded to

Kathy Mendykowski
Susan Young

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FINALIST (2)

For outstanding performance on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test having scored in the top one percent in national competition this Letter of Commendation is presented to

Judith Turner
Roger Burns

BETTY CROCKER HOMEMAKER OF TOMORROW AWARD

Susan Young

GOOD GOVERNMENT DAY CERTIFICATE

Judith Turner

READER'S DIGEST AWARD

A one year's subscription to the class valedictorian

Ann Wesolowski

BALFOUR AWARD

For scholarship, loyalty, achievement

Deborah Hoffman

THE NATIONAL OBSERVER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

One year's subscription to the National Observer for outstanding achievement in current events.

Ann Wesolowski

THE ROBERT IRVING BRAMHALL MUSIC AWARD (3)

Given by Mrs. Allegrine Guez Reid to those students who have contributed the most time and effort to the music program in the high school during the past four years.

\$10.00	Roger Burns
\$ 5.00	Janis Butcher
\$ 5.00	Robin Cox

HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC AWARD (\$25.00)

To that senior who has proved to be interested in all aspects of the music program and who desires to make music a career.

Thomas Meade

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AWARD

To that senior girl outstanding in leadership, dependability, service and patriotism.

Susan Griggs

WORCESTER TELEGRAM AND GAZETTE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Ann Wesolowski

BUSINESS CLUB AWARD (\$35.00)

For outstanding accomplishment by a business student who has expressed a desire to further her education in the business field.

Colleen Carney

B'NAI B'RITH HADASSAH AWARD (\$50.00)

To that senior girl who has shown outstanding academic accomplishment, and devoted allegiance to her school

Suzan Morell

ITALIAN-AMERICAN VETERAN'S CLUB ESSAY AWARD (\$25.00)

For outstanding accomplishment in a competitive essay program.

Susan Young

McDONALDS SCHOLARSHIP (\$200.00)

To that qualified senior who plans to further her education.

Joyce Cooper

CARRICK SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION AWARD (\$3000.00)

For outstanding achievement on the Scholastic Aptitude Test and superior academic accomplishment

Roger Burns

JERI FALCONE AWARD (\$100.00)

To that senior girl exhibiting human love, understanding and compassion for her fellow students.

Donna Murphy

CLASS OF 1923 SPECIAL ALUMNI AWARD (\$100.00)

Colleen Carney

CLASS OF 1948 SPECIAL ALUMNI AWARD (2 - \$250.00)

Susan Butcher
Charlene Fafard

LUCY E. DAY ALUMNI AWARD (\$500.00)

Maria Best

WINBURN A. DENNETT ALUMNI AWARD (\$500.00)

Susan Young

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI AWARD (\$500.00)

Judith Turner

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI AWARD (\$500.00)

Karen Romiglio

CLASS OF 1973

Allen, Stephen Paul	Henneberry, Lawrence B.
Bacon, William Henry	Hicks, Judy Kay
Baird, Marie Doreen †	Hixon, Cynthia Lesley †
Best, Maria Jayne †	Hoffman, Deborah Carol †
Best, Victor G.	Hughes, Kathleen Mary
Blatz, Veralyn Georgeann	Jencks, Robert A.
Brennan, Kathryn Nora	Johnson, Ann
Brown, James	Johnson, Jay M.
Brown, Valerie Ann	Lesiak, Donna Marie
Burns, Roger Vincent Jr. †	Lewis, Donna Marie †
Butcher, Janis Lynn	MacLean, Vicki Lee
Butcher, Susan Elaine	Mancini, Robert A.
Cardone, Donna Marie	Mathews, Jane Ann
Care, David Ronald	Meade, Thomas A.
Carney, Colleen Marie	Mendykowski, Katherine Ann †
Cooper, Joyce Lavenia †	Morell, Suzan Jan †
Cormier, Michael	Murphy, Donna Marie
Cosetta, Carol Marie	Nichols, David Miller
Cosetta, Robert J.	Pilla, Pasquale
Cowen, Deborah Ann	Ragonese, Michael A.
Cox, Robin E.	Romiglio, Karen Ann †
Cyr, Coleen Elizabeth	Rossetti, Gail Mary
D'Alio, David Paul	Rowe, Dorcas Ann
Dec, Daniel A.	Salgueiro, Laurinda Mary
Deiana, John E.	Small, Gerard Michael
Fafard, Charlene Marie	Stanas, Pamela Jean
Fee, Catherine A.	Stanas, Scott Alan †
Fisher, Sally Lou	Stock, William C.
Fiske, David Paul	Tomassini, Paul David
Fiske, Lee James	Tosches, Richard M.
Gould, Michael F.	Tracy, James Malcolm
Gould, Richard W.	Turner, Judith Ann †
Griggs, Susan Denise	Viens, Andrew
Halpin, Pamela Anne	Wesolowski, Ann Claire †
Hanley, Nancy Jane	Wright, Bradley W.
Harris, Charles David	Young, Nancy Lee †
Heath, Debora Ann	Young, Susan Jane †

† National Honor Society

REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The Hopedale Industrial Development Commission was established in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 8A by the 1973 Annual Town Meeting. An organizational meeting was held on April 10, 1973, and Richard T. Moore was elected first Chairman of the Commission.

During the year meetings were held with an official of the Massachusetts Department of Commerce and Development for an orientation on industrial development activities and with a representative of Rockwell International Corporation to develop a cooperative approach to industrial development in Hopedale. Additional meetings with Rockwell representatives in 1974 are planned as this is essential to any industrial growth in the community.

The Commission also attended a meeting of area community officials in Sutton to discuss problems of Rockwell in hiring and retaining personnel on September 26 and an exhibit of new Rockwell products at the Hopedale plant on December 18. The Commission hopes to work with the Planning Board to develop additional industrial and commercial zones in the community in order to attract development beneficial to the tax base and to employment. Any projected development, however, is likely to be dependent upon regional economic conditions and the "energy crisis."

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD T. MOORE, Chairman
DENNIS J. SCIOLE, Clerk
CATHERINE V. BAVOSI
DAVID C. CALARESE
HOWARD A. FAFARD

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

I respectfully submit the third annual report of the Hopedale Historical Commission.

This year has seen the loss of Mrs. Leola Stearns as Chairman and member of the Commission, due to her resignation. We commend and thank her for her interest and industry during her tenure. Mr. James A. Chandler, Jr. also resigned from the Commission, and Miss Mary Scahill and Mrs. Ann Huff have been appointed to fill these Commission vacancies. Mesdames Ann Brown and Elizabeth Rose and Mr. Charles Cox have been appointed Associated Members.

Reorganization of the Commission has been completed, and regular monthly meetings at the Town Hall on the third Thursday have resumed. Work is continuing on the town inventory, and a display of the original and only Town Weights and Measures Standards is being prepared for public view on the first floor of the Town Hall.

In the spring of 1973, the Hopedale Historical Commission became a member of the Bay State Historical League. This organization provides much helpful material and assistance to its members.

The Commission thanks Daniel Bluestone, a Harvard Architectural student who recently completed a research project here, for supplying our library with a copy of some interesting and valuable information about Draper built houses and Parklands. It is our hope that Hopedale residents will avail themselves of the opportunity to read these papers which indicate another example of the unique character of our town.

The Commission also thanks Mrs. Leola Stearns for her work with Mr. Robert Wood in the recent mini-course of Town History given at the Jr.-Sr. High School. We hope this will encourage increased interest in the town by our young citizens.

HOWARD C. WEAVER, Chairman
ROBERT P. WOOD, Vice-Chairman
MORTIMER C. DENNETT
DONALD S. DOW
WINIFRED S. QUANCE
MARY SCAHILL
ANN HUFF

LIST OF JURORS – July 1, 1973

71	Robert G. Butcher	364B S. Main St.	Central Office Repairman
71	Joseph L. Chamberlain	88 Dutcher St.	Accountant
71	Robert P. DeVita	38 Daniels St.	Cable Splicer
71	Alfred French, Jr.	36 Freedom St.	Retired, Order Clerk
71	George F. Gattozzi	7 Pierce St.	Central Office Repairman
71	William F. Kimball	61 Hartford Ave.	Toolmaker
71	Joseph P. Rouleau	49 Dutcher St.	Fork Lift Repairman
71	William A. Sainio	215 Dutcher St.	Inventory Controller
71	Howard L. Smith	47 Hopedale St.	Unemployed, Asst. Pur. Agent
71	Charles A. Watson	61 Prospect St.	Retired, Fire Chief
71	Dorothy Harlow	53 Inman St.	Housewife
71	Hilda Holmberg	136 Freedom St.	Retired, Secretary
71	Rita T. Sullivan	40 Hill St.	Cafeteria Worker
72	Lee W. Robbins	13 Bancroft Park	Lather Operator - Retired
72	Robert S. Pierce	23 Bancroft Park	Security Guard
72	J. Preston Johnson	162 Greene St.	Retired - Toolmaker
72	Thaddeus R. Jackson	9 Park St.	Retired - Treasurer
72	John Heron	26 Northrop St.	Retired - Cutter Grinder
72	Stenson T. Hattersley	30 Freedom St.	Retired - Machinist
72	Phillibert L. P. Dion	17 Home Park Ave.	Utility Man
72	Victor G. Lamothe	13 Cross St.	Post Office Employee
72	John J. Stanas	187 Dutcher St.	Methods Engineer, Retired
72	John Foster	42 Hill St.	Machinist - Retired
72	Mary F. Midgley	171 Dutcher St.	Housewife
72	Hilda C. Hammond	86 Hopedale St.	Housewife
72	Betty B. Bean	183 Dutcher St.	Teacher's aide
72	Barbara L. Allen	33 Dutcher St.	Housewife
72	Elizabeth B. Dowdell	51 Inman St.	Housewife
72	Thelma C. Lapworth	7 Highland St.	Housewife
73	Richard L. Bean	30 Prospect St.	Computer Operator
73	Helen Derderian	8 Inman St.	Coil Assembler
73	Raymond F. Coe	133 Dutcher St.	Telephone Repairman
73	Dennis B. Carroll	6 Hammond Road	Tech. Assistant
73	Walter M. Dec	55 Mill St.	Territory Manager
73	Joseph J. Chappell, Jr.	89 Dutcher St.	Parts Supervisor
73	Helen Ferigno	256 S. Main St.	Housewife
73	Harry D. Anderson	255 S. Main St.	Toolmaker
73	Eleanor M. Allen	65 Freedom St.	Housewife
73	Angelo Cardasso	39 Dutcher St.	Retired - Inspector
73	Rosalynn A. Deloia	79 Greene St.	Inspector
73	Richard A. Iannitelli	11 Dana Park	Acct. Manager
73	Robert E. Barrows	34 Prospect St.	Design Specialist
73	Rita M. Fruit	3 Beech St.	Housewife
73	Alice M. Clement	34 Progress St.	Housekeeper
73	Gladys M. Adams	8 Bancroft Park	Stockroom
73	Lillian L. Jencks	313 S. Main St.	Housewife
73	Georgina M. Keene	23 Mellen St.	Machine Operator
73	Evelyn Negrotti	200 Hopedale St.	Typist Clerk
73	Jamie Wagman	5 Overdale Pkwy.	Assembler
73	Katherine Bradley	6 Villa Drive	Housewife

**DIRECTORY OF THE BLACKSTONE VALLEY
REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL**

School Committee

Kelton D. Johnson, Chairman	Sutton
Herman Buma, Vice-Chairman	Uxbridge
Gerald Burke	Bellingham
Matthew C. Krajewski	Blackstone
L. Wayne Gilley	Douglas
Roland C. Hallen	Grafton
Roger V. Burns	Hopedale
J. Gerard Sweeney	Mendon
Anthony E. Allegrezza	Milford
Leodore J. Tebo, Jr.	Millbury
Roger N. Garceau	Millville
Edward B. Postma	Northbridge
Edward S. Henderson	Upton
Arthur C. Young, Secretary-Treasurer	Hopedale
Kevin R. Sherin, Legal Counsel	Uxbridge

Superintendent-Director

Paul J. Sullivan Office	Telephone 529-7758 Pleasant Street Upton
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Regular School Committee meetings are held at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School on the third Thursday of each month at 8:00 P.M.

The following were elected to serve on the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee at their respective annual town meetings:

Matthew C. Krajewski, Blackstone	3 years
Roland C. Hallen, Grafton	3 years
Anthony E. Allegrezza, Milford	3 years
Roger N. Garceau, Millville	3 years

On April 12, 1973, the Regional School Committee members met and selected their officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected:

Kelton D. Johnson, Chairman
Herman Buma, Vice-Chairman
Arthur C. Young, Secretary-Treasurer
Kevin R. Sherin, Legal Counsel

SUMMARY OF CAPITAL AND OPERATING EXPENSES BY TOWNS FOR JULY 1, 1974 – JUNE 30, 1975

Town	7/1/74–6/30/75		7/1/74–6/30/75		Total	*Chapter 779	Estimated Income Net Cost to Town
	Operating Expenses	Capital Assessment					
Bellingham	\$ 68,181.00	\$ 18,871.00		\$ 87,052.00		\$ 198,961.00	\$ - 111,909.00
Blackstone	41,746.00	9,894.00		51,640.00		101,448.00	- 49,808.00
Douglas	26,435.00	6,597.00		33,032.00		34,588.00	- 1,556.00
Grafton	86,277.00	22,981.00		109,258.00		149,105.00	- 39,847.00
Hopedale	32,004.00	10,656.00		42,660.00		35,687.00	6,973.00
Mendon	26,442.00	4,954.00		31,396.00		29,929.00	1,476.00
Milford	97,408.00	32,911.00		130,319.00		154,541.00	- 24,222.00
Millbury	89,054.00	26,480.00		115,534.00		150,651.00	- 35,117.00
Millville	11,131.00	2,516.00		13,647.00		31,695.00	- 18,048.00
Northbridge	107,143.00	24,386.00		131,529.00		124,457.00	7,072.00
Sutton	40,350.00	9,967.00		50,317.00		64,530.00	- 14,213.00
Upton	34,789.00	8,785.00		43,574.00		53,324.00	- 9,750.00
Uxbridge	73,750.00	16,672.00		90,422.00		95,751.00	- 5,329.00

*Chapter 779 Acts of 1967

Each town in a regional school district shall continue to receive such state aid for educational purposes as it would be entitled to receive if such district had not been formed; and in addition to such state aid, the state treasurer shall pay annually to each town in a regional school district an amount equal to fifteen percent of the amount of school aid determined to be due such town under the provisions of Chapter 70.

APPRAISEMENT OF TOWN PROPERTY

December 31, 1973

Town House	\$147,000.00
Town House Lot	4,400.00
Town House Stone Fixtures	500.00
Town House, Furniture & Fixtures	3,500.00
Town House, Office Furniture & Equipment	25,500.00
Town House, Water Department	2,200.00

LIBRARY

Bancroft Memorial Library (Building)	89,000.00
Public Library (Books & Fixtures)	35,000.00
Mrs. Susan Preston Draper Foundation	10,000.00
Library Lot	4,000.00

TREE WARDEN

Small Tools and Materials	100.00
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WATER

Mains, Hydrants, Etc.	162,000.00
Standpipe	50,000.00
Pumping Station Building No. 1	9,000.00
Pumping Station Building No. 2	4,000.00
Wells and Suction Connections	27,000.00
Land	12,000.00
Machinery and Equipment	43,000.00
1969 GMC Pick-up Truck	2,049.00
Small Tools	2,500.00
Compressor, Purchased 1972	2,800.00
Supplies	5,500.00
Storage Building	5,500.00

POLICE

1973 Chevrolet Cruiser, Purchased 1973	3,300.00
1972 Ford Cruiser, Purchased 1972	2,500.00
Equipment	6,050.00

FIRE

Fire Station	\$122,000.00
Fire Station Lot	2,000.00
Equipment and Furniture	32,600.00

APPARATUS

1947 American LaFrance 1000 Gal. Pumper, Purchased 1947	10,000.00
1961 International 750 Gal. Pumper, Purchased 1961	17,500.00
1968 Maxim 1000 Gal. Pumper, Purchased 1969	27,000.00
1968 Chevrolet Station Wagon, Purchased 1968	2,300.00
1953 GMC Tank Truck, Purchased 1968 Purchased from Hopedale Coal & Ice Co. Worth \$1000 after repairs	1.00
1964 Chevrolet Panel Truck, Purchased 1969 Worth \$500 after repairs	1.00
1973 Maxim Ladder Truck, Purchased 1973	62,000.00

PARK

Band Stand, Including Tools	1,500.00
Comfort Station	1,500.00
Bath House	4,500.00
Shelter and Fireplaces	300.00
Land, 306 Acres	22,300.00
Playground, Equipment	4,000.00
Dump Truck, Purchased 1968	4,000.00
International Tractor, Purchased 1966	1,500.00
Park Garage	1,500.00
Land, 21 Acres	15,000.00
Tool House	1,500.00

SCHOOL

School House, Dutcher Street	\$200,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	15,000.00
School House Lot, 1 Acre	10,000.00
School House, Park Street	150,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	10,000.00
School House Lot, Park Street	12,500.00
General Draper High School Building, Adin Street	2,000,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	100,000.00
General Draper School Lots (2), Adin Street	20,000.00
Memorial Elementary School, Adin Street	600,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	50,000.00
Memorial Elementary School Lots, Adin Street, 10A	20,000.00
1966 Dodge Bus, Purchased 1966	3,000.00
1968 Dodge Bus, Purchased 1968	6,000.00
1970 Dodge Bus, Purchased 1970	7,500.00
1973 Ford Bus, Purchased 1972	8,000.00
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	\$3,212,000.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

1967 GMC Dump Truck (HM620VO5401G)	\$ 2,000.00
1971 International Harvester Dump Truck (14330E164171)	3,189.00
1970 Bombardier Sidewalk Tractor (JW707028TN)	3,500.00
1973 Elgin Street Sweeper	15,000.00
1963 Sidewalk Tractor Divco (800407111CK3753528)	1,000.00
1968 Michigan Tractor (88G116)	9,500.00
1950 Leaf Blower (Good Roads (5121)	500.00
1969 GMC Dump Truck (EM60VC099216)	2,000.00
1961 International Dump Truck (S8186052F)	250.00
1965 International Pickup Truck (SB5259708)	400.00
9 - Snow plows	5,000.00
3 - In-body sanders (1-1966 and 2-1968)	2,400.00
4 - 1945 tail gate sand spreaders (used for tar)	1,000.00
1 - GMC Military Vehicle	500.00
1 - 1959 Sicard Snow Blower (5307195)	1,500.00
1 - 1972 International Dump Truck	13,500.00
1 - 1960 Dodge Dump Truck (Air Force vehicle)	500.00
Buildings and Land	30,000.00
Small Tools and Equipment	3,500.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1973

Levy	Jan. 1, 1972	Committed	Refunds	Collected	Abatement	Balance 12/31/73
1958-61						351.63
Real Estate	351.63					
1962						65.63
Personal Property	65.63					
Motor Vehicle	164.02					164.02
Real Estate	5.63					5.63
1963						767.63
Personal Property	767.63					
Motor Vehicle	648.82					648.82
Real Estate	140.76					140.76
1964						274.50
Personal Property	274.50					
Motor Vehicle	870.07					870.07
Real Estate	155.98					155.98
1965						257.55
Personal Property	257.55					
Motor Vehicle	1,337.35					1,337.35
Real Estate	392.02					392.02
1966						79.64
Personal Property	79.64					
Motor Vehicle	384.98					384.98
Real Estate	377.19					377.19

Jan. 1, 1972

Levy	Balance Committed	Refunds	Collected	Abatement	Balance 12/31/73
1967	14.00				14.00
Personal Property					
Motor Vehicle	681.34				681.34
Real Estate	817.60				112.00
1968					2.13
Personal Property	2.13				2.13
Motor Vehicle	632.29				632.29
Real Estate	2,158.41				1,301.60
1969					12.90
Personal Property	12.90				12.90
Motor Vehicle	1,214.20				1,065.70
Real Estate	2,066.82				1,901.56
1970					145.60
Personal Property					145.60
Motor Vehicle	2,502.68				96.06
Real Estate	2,403.53				633.64
1971					161.00
Personal Property	57.50				161.00
Motor Vehicle	6,347.60				2,747.69
Real Estate	9,614.70				4,988.28
1972					57.50
Personal Property	1,826.95				1,637.85
Motor Vehicle	19,198.90				64,231.76
Real Estate	44,367.05				34,593.60
Sewer Assessment	60.00				40.00
					20.00

1973

Personal Property	44,551.08	44,066.36	484.72
* Motor Vehicle	* 120,429.77	1,525.84	88,274.51
Real Estate	1,547,010.36	1,098.01	1,464,862.65
Sewer Assessment	530.00		500.00
Water Lien	<u>1,366.82</u>	<u>30.32</u>	<u>953.84</u>
	<u>100,252.00</u>	<u>1,775,124.54</u>	<u>4,877.15</u>
Interest Collected			<u>2,132.10</u>
			<u>1,711,874.89</u>

*Committed \$8821.01 on 12/3/73 - Not due until 2/3/74

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE	1973	1972
Taxes Current Year		
Personal Property	44,066.36	39,703.07
Real Estate	1,464,862.65	1,329,232.71
Motor Vehicle Excise	88,274.51	67,435.83
Sewer Assessment	<u>500.00</u>	<u>470.00</u>
	1,597,703.52	1,436,841.61
Taxes Previous Years		
Personal Property	1,637.85	16,677.43
Real Estate	42,183.56	32,175.79
Motor Vehicle Excise		
1968		181.50
1969	148.50	177.65
1970	96.06	3,874.21
1971	2,747.69	32,141.33
1972	64,231.76	
Sewer Assessment		
1971		30.00
1972	<u>40.00</u>	
	111,085.42	85,257.91
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
State Valuation Basis (Property)		13,155.27
State Valuation Basis (Machinery)	76,602.00	77,062.00
Estimated Tax Receipts	2,038.67	39,088.86
Reimbursement Dept. Corp.& Taxation	<u>5.88</u>	
	78,646.55	129,306.13
Permits and Licenses		
Milk, Oleo and Poultry	41.00	82.00
Used Car, Liquor, Raffle & others	2,445.00	1,920.00
Gun Permits and Identification Cards	700.00	292.00
Offal	2.00	4.00
Plumbing and Gas	419.00	289.00
Wire	153.00	94.00
Sewer	<u>75.00</u>	<u>65.00</u>
	3,835.00	2,746.00
County		
Dutch Elm Disease		107.28
Highway Chapter 90 Maintenance	8,332.63	400.00
Dog Licenses	525.21	520.34
Dog Care		<u>704.00</u>
	8,857.84	1,731.62

Park		
Trust Fund	<u>78.83</u>	<u>78.23</u>
Water		
Sale of Water	82,132.33	63,530.54
Service Connections	3,079.03	3,813.60
State of Penn. Copper Pipe Case	28.13	103.90
Water Liens	<u>875.31</u>	
	86,114.80	67,448.04
Cemeteries		
Hopedale Village Cemetery Trust	130.95	130.27
Town Cemetery Trust	<u>20.98</u>	<u>20.63</u>
Daisy Dutcher Hamond Trust	<u>10,000.00</u>	
Settlement Antibiotic Antitrust	<u>276.96</u>	
Blackstone Valley Consortium		
Administrative Cost Reimbursement	<u>3,776.00</u>	<u>5,637.00</u>
GRANTS FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		
School Lunch	18,131.96	11,797.26
Vocational Educational PL 90	7,090.00	1,169.00
National Defense Education Title III		1,922.47
Education Low Income Families Title I	8,910.00	8,964.00
School Library Services Title II	2,677.68	1,371.36
Federal Revenue Sharing	<u>117,737.00</u>	
	154,546.64	25,224.09
GRANTS COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS		
School Aid Chap. 70	147,150.12	136,999.09
Special Education		11,497.43
School Building Assistance	23,652.25	23,642.25
Vocational School Tuition	1,476.00	1,040.00
Vocational School Transportation	336.00	
School Lunch	6,503.80	14,027.91
Public School Transportation	11,454.18	9,717.59
Veterans Benefits	5,856.27	9,446.09
Tuition & Transportation State Wards	2,363.00	6,868.96
Blackstone Valley Regional School	7,824.25	18,734.66
Highway Improvement Chapter 58		3,291.95
Highway Chapter 90 Maintenance	16,266.43	400.00

Public Library Extension	1,609.50
Historical Commission Reimbursement	52.00
Local Aid Lottery Chapter 58	11,861.16
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	222,882.30
	249,198.59

Town	
Isabella Chase Fund	<u>5,000.00</u>

DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

General Administrative	
Sale of Assessed Valuation Books	4.00
Sale of Street Listings	11.75
Dog Licenses for County	1,376.45
Town Hall Rents	4,481.00
Town Hall Stamp Refunds	28.72
Lien Fees	138.00
Census Reimbursement	1,073.00
Sale of National Cash Register Machine	<hr/> 150.00
	<hr/> 7,218.45
	6,190.82

Police Department	
Court Fines	105.00
Accident Report Refund	<hr/> 72.00
	<hr/> 177.00
	469.00

Highway Department	
Snow Removal	115.00
Chapter 90 Loan Reimbursement	24,906.00
Sale of Equipment	<hr/> 1,203.00
	<hr/> 1,318.00
	25,056.00

Board of Health	
Sale of Dogs	9.00
Premature Baby Reimbursement	<hr/> 427.23
Charitable Trust Fund	<hr/> 247.81
	<hr/> 245.91

School	
Tuition	3,520.00
Auditorium and Gym Rental	120.00
Lunch Fund	45,188.27
Athletic Fund	2,190.96
Sale of Books and Equipment	795.61
Sale of Gym Suits	<hr/> 193.30
	<hr/> 2,725.00
	60.00
	33,447.74
	2,238.15
	34.00
	<hr/> 694.85

Library		
Fines	56.83	77.13
Trust Fund	<u>2,523.03</u>	<u>2,536.81</u>
 Council on Aging		
Bus Trips	<u>210.00</u>	<u>197.00</u>
 INTEREST		
Real Estate, Personal Property	1,970.44	2,281.67
Motor Vehicle	156.81	299.14
Federal Revenue Sharing	<u>3,431.05</u>	
	5,558.30	2,580.81
 REFUNDS		
Blue Cross Blue Shield BVC Town Share	837.29	659.10
Cancelled Checks	<u>9,022.13</u>	<u>4,911.23</u>
	9,859.42	5,570.33
 TRANSFERS		
Federal Withholding Taxes	234,347.72	232,568.96
Massachusetts Withholding Taxes	68,486.32	68,823.47
County Retirement Fund	18,594.04	18,715.20
Group Insurance Contributory	25,250.32	23,782.74
Group Insurance Retired	<u>1,852.38</u>	<u>1,612.15</u>
	348,530.78	345,502.52
 MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS		
Tax Anticipation Loan	<u>886,707.58</u>	<u>795, 378.49</u>
 Fire Truck Loan	<u>50,000.00</u>	
 Loan Deposit Transfer	<u>4,145.80</u>	
 TOTAL RECEIPTS	3,646,944.16	3,231,633.68

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1973	1972
General Administrative		
1001 Salaries and Wages	24,264.69	22,648.85
Emergency Employment Act (Reimbursable)	2,705.00	4,010.00
1002 Travel Expense	50.00	72.00
1003 Office Supplies, Dues, Postage	4,314.73	3,086.53
1004 Equipment		
1005 Utilities	743.98	886.12
1010 Town Reports	1,356.31	1,613.30
1013 Contractual Services	2,723.49	774.57
	36,158.20	33,091.37
Selectmen		
1101 Salaries	1,500.00	1,500.00
1102 Travel Expense	125.00	197.80
1103 Office Supplies	561.34	230.80
1104 Equipment		26.95
	686.34	455.55
Assessors		
1130 Salaries	2,300.00	2,300.00
1131 Wages	503.50	489.00
1132 Travel Expense	217.55	174.50
1133 Office Supplies	819.35	426.87
1134 Abstracts	136.22	73.78
1135 Appraisal Services	115.00	115.00
1136 Equipment	500.00	
	2,291.62	1,279.15
Moderator		
1141 Salary	100.00	100.00
Elections		
1151 Salaries and Wages	589.05	1,738.61
1153 Office Supplies	604.16	1,262.60
1154 Rental	10.00	40.00

Registrations		
1161 Salaries and Wages	1,042.00	1,023.00
1162 Travel Expense	50.00	50.00
1163 Office Supplies	476.85	587.00
	<u>1,568.85</u>	<u>1,660.00</u>
Finance Committee		
1172 Travel Expense		
1173 Office Supplies & Dues	30.00	
1174 Committee Reports	<u>280.00</u>	
	310.00	
Town Clerk		
1201 Salary	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
1202 Travel Expense	312.51	494.80
1203 Office Supplies	<u>115.50</u>	<u>110.33</u>
	428.01	605.13
Tax Collector		
1301 Salaries	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
1302 Travel Expense	30.40	134.68
1303 Office Supplies	231.20	780.99
1304 Tax Bills	<u>970.62</u>	
	1,232.22	915.67
Inspector		
1470 Inspector of Animals	35.00	35.00
1480 Wire Inspector	229.00	225.00
1490 Dog Officer	<u>415.10</u>	<u>466.23</u>
	679.10	726.23
Town Accountant		
1501 Salary	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
1502 Travel Expense	119.33	292.75
1503 Office Supplies	<u>20.00</u>	<u>22.00</u>
Town Counsel		
1551 Salary	<u>1,250.00</u>	<u>1,250.00</u>
1552 Legal Fees	<u>100.00</u>	<u>900.00</u>

Treasurer		
1601 Salary	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
1602 Travel Expense		
1603 Office Supplies	31.75	23.00
1604 Bond Costs	41.00	35.00
1605 Check Machine		<u>435.00</u>
	72.75	<u>493.00</u>
Planning Board		
1702 Travel Expense		
1703 Office Supplies	<u>79.80</u>	<u>56.50</u>
1705 Central Mass. Regional Planning District	<u>453.20</u>	<u>429.20</u>
Town Hall		
1801 Salaries & Wages	70.00	360.00
1802 Utilities	1,548.95	1,455.71
1803 Repairs	2,899.84	2,671.88
1804 Supplies & Equipment	493.38	812.54
1813 Contractual Services	<u>530.50</u>	
	5,542.67	<u>5,300.13</u>
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	<u>61,095.30</u>	<u>58,988.67</u>
ACCOUNTING MACHINE	<u>973.33</u>	<u>18,926.67</u>
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY		
Police Department		
2001 Salaries & Wages	51,134.77	47,552.96
2001 Salaries & Wages, Extra Duty	14,104.68	13,270.21
2001 Prosecutor		150.00
2002 Travel Expense	239.74	277.13
2003 Dues, Subscriptions, Postage	458.85	210.21
2004 Telephone & Utilities	848.79	973.99
2005 Supplies & Equipment	482.38	673.60
2006 Cruisers, Repair & Maintenance	1,273.62	1,692.72
2007 Gas and Oil	2,719.42	2,748.92
2008 New Uniforms	1,003.26	795.43
2010 Training School	<u>124.50</u>	<u>97.34</u>
	72,390.01	<u>68,442.51</u>
2050 New Cruiser	<u>3,246.28</u>	<u>2,894.27</u>
2050 New Radio	<u>775.00</u>	
TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT	76,411.29	71,336.78

Fire Department (Revenue Sharing)		
2101 Salaries & Wages	77,302.98	77,002.90
2101 Wages, Extra Duty, Holiday	21,450.24	19,529.38
2102 Travel Expense	173.20	274.78
2103 Office Supplies	486.64	557.97
2104 Apparatus & Supplies	1,375.90	2,229.39
2105 Maintenance & Repairs	1,936.23	1,587.06
2106 Gasoline and Oil	990.22	810.60
2107 Utilities	2,262.43	2,478.59
2108 Supplies – Building & Grounds	929.05	1,120.91
2109 Repair & Maintenance		
Building & Grounds	621.11	1,359.93
2110 Hydrants	2,369.00	2,369.00
2111 Hose	850.00	786.39
2113 Fire Alarm System	887.05	1,013.79
2114 New Uniforms	432.36	548.39
2150 New Equipment	545.47	671.56
	<u>112,546.88</u>	<u>112,340.64</u>
2152 Scott Air Paks	<u>1,291.82</u>	
2153 Resuscitator	<u>388.55</u>	
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	114,227.25	112,340.64
 Civil Defense		
2201 Salary	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>
2202 Travel Expense	22.50	60.40
2203 Office Supplies		55.93
2204 Utilities	276.76	286.61
2205 Supplies	124.08	98.63
2206 Base Radio Maintenance	74.20	
2250 New Equipment	<u>167.89</u>	<u>388.86</u>
TOTAL CIVIL DEFENSE	765.43	990.43
 Tree Warden		
2301 Salary	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>
2302 Travel Expense	26.75	22.75
2303 Office Supplies		
2305 Contractual Services	<u>1,099.50</u>	<u>1,892.72</u>
TOTAL TREE WARDEN	1,131.25	1,915.47
 Dutch Elm Disease		
2400 Contractual Services	<u>2,122.83</u>	<u>2,038.00</u>

Insect Pest Control		
2410 Supplies & Materials		10.00
2411 Contractual Services		35.60
2412 Travel Expense	<u>42.70</u>	
TOTAL TREE MAINTENANCE	3,491.78	3,999.07
 Board of Health		
2501 Elected Officials	<u>700.00</u>	<u>700.00</u>
2501 Sanitation Officer	500.00	500.00
2501 Wages Dump Maintenance	5,693.99	8,092.88
2502 Travel Expense	191.26	118.57
2503 Office Supplies	57.97	49.25
2505 Vital Statistics	169.00	181.00
2506 Health Doctor	200.00	200.00
2507 Public Clinic	1,378.56	679.95
2508 District Nursing Association	770.00	1,000.00
2509 Printing	100.30	117.72
2510 Plumbing Inspector	640.00	655.00
2511 Dump Maintenance	6,784.74	3,258.00
2512 Valley Adult Counselling Service	<u>990.00</u>	
	<u>17,475.82</u>	<u>15,552.37</u>
 Collection of Garbage		
2530 Contractual (Farrar & Carty)	<u>23,233.28</u>	<u>20,300.00</u>
2540 Mosquito Control	<u>2,396.90</u>	
 Sewer Commission		
2804 Contracted Services	<u>175.00</u>	
 TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY	238,176.75	224,719.29
 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT		
3000 Salaries Elected Officials	<u>700.00</u>	<u>700.00</u>
3001 Salaries & Wages	59,434.21	62,767.20
3002 Travel Expense	233.85	416.60
3003 Garage Expense	1,130.72	1,323.00
3004 Repairs	2,279.26	4,190.02
3005 Garage Equipment	18.00	451.41
3006 Tool and Street Supplies	106.16	401.75
3007 Reconstruction Maintenance	13,584.86	9,543.90
3008 Maintenance of Cross Walks, Guard Rails	211.00	234.13
3011 Gas, Oil & Chains	3,634.77	7,319.53
3012 Medical		168.50

3020 Sidewalks, Materials	4,899.33	587.01
3021 Sidewalks, Contracted Services	1,096.00	6,586.50
3022 Catch Basins and Drains	781.49	1,108.33
3023 Catch Basins & Drains Contracted Services	64.00	625.75
3024 Sewers		260.00
3025 Snow Removal including salt & sand	6,064.53	11,077.85
3026 Snow Removal Contracted Services		4,410.00
3027 Tree Belt & Mow Brush Materials	125.00	189.35
3028 Tree Belt & Mow Brush Contracted Services		125.00
3029 Street Cleaning	474.00	473.00
3030 Maintenance of Equipment	3,207.64	9,497.19
3031 Uniforms & Cleaning	715.00	
3049 Traffic Regulations & Street Signs	503.00	448.15
	98,562.82	122,204.17
3050 New Equipment 1972		1,572.98
3050 One-Half Ton Truck 1973	14,660.22	
3151 Street Sweeper (From Revenue Sharing)	16,000.00	
3200 Surplus Property	838.70	
3400 Road Resurfacing 1972		810.00
3400 Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,200.00	
3500 Chapter 90 Reconstruction 1972		31,735.40
TOTAL HIGHWAY	131,961.74	157,022.55
Street Lighting		
3900 Street Lights	11,200.28	12,000.00
3901 Street Light Improvements	1,674.59	350.61
Council on Aging		
4001 Salaries & Wages	802.00	
4004 Special Projects	185.00	7.26
4005 Recreation	2,185.51	1,991.29
4006 Utilities	307.92	223.04
4007 Supplies	139.69	260.54
4008 Equipment	28.70	13.45
TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING	3,648.82	2,495.58
Historical Society		
4102 Travel Expense		15.80
4103 Dues	13.24	
4104 Supplies		
4105 Equipment		99.20
4106 Charter Restoration		202.80
TOTAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY	13.24	317.80

Veterans Department		
4201 Salary	1,600.00	1,500.00
4205 Medical Assistance	6,281.96	11,100.45
4207 Cash Allowances	7,135.78	5,382.50
TOTAL VETERANS DEPARTMENT	15,017.74	17,982.95

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

School Committee		
1100 00 4 Contracted Services	1,025.00	1,175.00
1100 00 5 Supplies and Materials	201.35	205.08
1100 00 6 Other Expenses	655.00	630.00
1100 00 6.1 In State Travel	169.00	47.24
1100 00 6.2 Out of State Travel	911.25	
	2,961.60	2,057.32
Superintendent's Office		
1200 00 1 Superintendent's Salary	23,979.43	22,888.77
1200 00 2 Clerical Salary	8,112.00	7,647.00
1200 00 5 Supplies & Materials	1,268.92	844.54
1200 00 6 Other Expenses	361.50	186.00
1200 00 6.1 In State Travel	127.85	186.25
1200 00 6.2 Out of State Travel	200.00	176.37
	34,049.70	31,928.93
Educational Television		
2900 00 4 Contracted Services	798.00	532.00
Health Services		
3200 00 3 School Nurse Salary	6,701.88	6,840.00
3200 00 5 Supplies & Materials	168.17	370.60
3200 00 9.1 Health Services	1,200.00	1,200.00
	8,070.05	8,410.60
Transportation		
3310 00 3 Salaries & Wages	18,532.22	17,459.43
3310 00 4 Contracted Services	93.40	940.23
3310 00 4.1 Transportation Special Education	4,120.90	7,484.90
3310 00 5 Supplies	6,936.70	7,734.45
3310 00 6 Bus Drivers License Exam		72.50
	29,683.22	33,691.51
New Equipment		
3330 00 8 New School Bus		8,013.00

Food Services

3400 00 3 Salaries & Wages	117.00	2,997.98
3400 00 5 Supplies	2,171.24	
	2,288.24	2,997.98

Athletics

3510 00 3 Salaries (Bus Drivers)	172.60	320.87
3510 00 4 Contracted Services	2,528.78	3,074.92
3510 00 5 Supplies & Materials	3,225.48	3,568.52
3510 00 6 Dues	474.25	391.00
	6,401.11	7,355.31

Acquisition & Improvement of Buildings

7200 00 5 Supplies & Materials	50.00	2,433.00
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Principals – High School

2200 31 1 Professional Salary	20,187.28	19,008.80
2200 31 1.1 Professional Salary	18,589.92	17,516.03
2200 31 2 Clerical Salary	6,890.00	6,590.00
2200 31 4 Contracted Services	4,328.97	4,420.58
2200 31 5 Supplies & Materials	1,208.75	1,727.02
2200 31 6 Dues & Subscriptions	405.00	411.15
2200 31 6.1 In State Travel	129.57	187.15
2200 31 6.2 Out of State Travel		398.00
	51,739.49	50,258.73

Teaching – High School

2300 31 1 Professional Salary	378,928.22	348,839.25
2300 31 5 Materials	12,180.66	11,020.10
2300 31 6 Dues & Subscriptions	34.60	46.20
2300 31 6.1 Travel Expense	588.11	376.11
	391,731.59	360,281.66

Textbooks – High School

2400 31 4 Contracted Services	288.75	477.29
2400 31 5 Supplies & Materials	8,700.52	7,751.14
	8,989.27	8,228.43

Library Services

2500 31 1 Professional Salary	12,582.20	11,142.42
2500 31 4 Contracted Services	146.25	236.95
2500 31 5 Supplies & Materials	3,274.54	4,340.89
2500 31 6.1 In State Travel	36.00	43.65
	16,038.99	15,763.91

Audio Visual High School ¹		
2600 31 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>527.77</u>	<u>1,038.89</u>
Guidance Services		
2710 31 1 Professional Salary	17,642.26	16,840.91
2710 31 1.1 Professional Salary	8,687.64	7,938.99
2710 31 2 Clerical Salary	6,404.00	5,813.00
2710 31 5 Materials	924.70	1,206.01
2710 31 6 Dues & Subscriptions	35.00	86.00
2710 31 6.1 In State Travel	217.55	154.60
	<u>33,911.15</u>	<u>32,039.51</u>
Principals — Elementary		
2200 11 1 Professional Salary	20,287.28	19,108.80
2200 11 2 Clerical Salary	5,897.78	5,701.40
2200 11 5 Materials	50.00	115.00
2200 11 6 Dues & Subscriptions	75.00	100.60
2200 11 6.1 In State Travel	176.53	166.90
2200 11 6.2 Out of State Travel		201.15
	<u>26,486.59</u>	<u>25,393.85</u>
Teaching — Elementary		
2300 11 1 Professional Salary	348,813.15	337,527.18
2300 11 4 Contracted Services	450.00	450.00
2300 11 5 Supplies & Materials	11,975.14	10,791.68
2300 11 6 Dues & Subscriptions	274.84	224.50
	<u>361,513.13</u>	<u>348,993.36</u>
Textbooks — Elementary		
2400 11 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>2,949.35</u>	<u>6,321.06</u>
Textbooks — Elementary		
2400 12 5 Special Class	<u>76.78</u>	
Library — Elementary		
2500 11 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>3,209.38</u>	<u>2,434.75</u>
Audio Visual — Elementary		
2600 11 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>169.61</u>	<u>576.64</u>
Guidance Services — Elementary		
2710 11 1 Salary	11,093.92	3,369.21
2710 11 6.1 Travel	122.00	
	<u>11,215.92</u>	<u>3,369.21</u>

Custodial Services – Elementary		
4110 11 3 Salary	23,156.65	22,154.04
4110 11 4 Contracted Services	594.00	655.95
4110 11 5 Supplies	<u>3,206.19</u>	<u>2,500.39</u>
	26,956.84	25,310.38
Heating – Elementary		
4120 11 4 Contracted Services	1,988.00	2,296.35
4120 11 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>6,615.84</u>	<u>6,115.00</u>
	8,603.84	8,411.35
Custodial Services – High School		
4110 31 3 Salaries	25,317.53	23,561.77
4110 31 4 Contracted Services	708.00	682.00
4110 31 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>3,260.31</u>	<u>2,652.84</u>
	29,285.84	26,896.61
Heating – High School		
4120 31 4 Contracted Services	178.64	8,635.86
4120 31 5 Supplies	<u>8,407.41</u>	
	8,586.05	8,635.86
Utility Services – High School		
4130 31 4 Contracted Services	<u>11,041.82</u>	<u>9,867.62</u>
Maintenance of Buildings		
4220 31 4 Contracted Services	10,886.26	12,404.63
4220 31 5 Supplies	<u>1,561.44</u>	<u>1,308.42</u>
Maintenance & Repair of Equipment		
4230 31 4 Contracted Services	3,385.53	3,525.66
4230 31 5 Supplies	<u>319.13</u>	<u>141.95</u>
	3,704.66	3,667.61
Replacement of Equipment		
4240 31 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>2,676.48</u>	<u>3,575.66</u>
Acquisition of New Equipment		
7300 31 5 Acquisition of Equipment	<u>4,086.01</u>	<u>12,067.35</u>
Programs with Other Districts		
9100 43 9 Tuition	3,296.49	2,945.06
9100 43 9.1 Transportation	<u>544.50</u>	<u>535.50</u>
	3,840.99	3,480.56

Utilities Services – Elementary		
4130 11 4 Contracted Services	<u>6,749.72</u>	<u>7,257.02</u>
 Maintenance of Buildings – Elementary		
4220 11 4 Contracted Services	5,865.17	5,223.09
4220 11 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>1,360.57</u>	<u>1,121.38</u>
	7,225.84	6,344.47
 Maintenance & Repair of Equipment – Elementary		
4230 11 4 Contracted Services	1,195.34	1,570.36
4230 11 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>20.70</u>	
	1,195.34	1,591.06
 Replacement of Equipment – Elementary		
4240 11 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>968.46</u>	<u>1,977.49</u>
 Acquisition of New Equipment – Elementary		
7300 11 5 Supplies	<u>6,892.50</u>	<u>7,052.51</u>
 Acquisition of New Equipment – Elementary		
7300 12 5 Special Class	<u>10.41</u>	
 Special Class – Teaching		
2300 12 1 Professional Salary	108.00	694.30
2300 12 5 Supplies & Materials	<u>53.36</u>	<u>8.11</u>
	161.36	702.41
 Special Class – Psychological		
2800 12 5 Supplies	<u>1,031.00</u>	<u>1,283.00</u>
 TOTAL SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	1,128,325.80	1,094,254.04
FEDERAL FUNDS		
TITLE I	8,856.92	8,964.00
TITLE II	1,701.38	1,449.14
NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION		358.24
VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTIONAL PLAN		7,408.00
SCHOOL LUNCH RECEIPTS	70,539.66	59,979.73
SCHOOL ATHLETIC RECEIPTS	3,288.20	3,502.16
TITLE II SPECIAL PURPOSE	984.75	
PUBLIC LAW 90-576 VOCATIONAL	<u>8,830.76</u>	
 TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	94,201.67	81,661.27

Library Department		
5001 Salaries and Wages	17,014.82	16,559.03
5002 Travel Expense	28.10	
5003 Supplies & Dues	401.92	419.96
5004 Books, Subscriptions & Periodicals	4,287.93	3,993.92
5005 Bindings	291.99	298.93
5006 Repairs	513.38	1,391.39
5007 Utilities	1,236.13	1,191.20
5008 New Equipment	159.00	1,003.10
TOTAL LIBRARY DEPARTMENT	23,933.27	24,857.53
Park Department		
6001 Salaries and Wages	16,080.65	14,674.52
6003 Supplies	70.00	
6004 Utilities	664.78	457.08
6005 Gas and Oil	280.86	831.72
6006 Park Supplies	1,021.68	912.61
6007 Park Repair & Maintenance	573.37	991.18
6008 Bathhouse Supplies	5.10	41.09
6009 Bathhouse Repair & Maintenance		80.74
6013 Tennis Instruction, Basketball Officials	500.00	460.00
6015 Retarded Children	684.00	340.00
TOTAL PARK DEPARTMENT	19,880.44	18,788.94
Conservation		
6101 Salaries and Wages	159.40	155.39
6103 Office Supplies	20.00	
6104 Tools and Supplies	311.15	
6106 Maintenance & Repair Contracted So. Pk.		263.45
TOTAL CONSERVATION	490.55	418.84
Weed Control		
6110 Contracted Services	<u>4,500.00</u>	
Water Department		
7001 Salaries and Wages	26,343.56	28,660.87
7002 Travel Expense	186.80	167.90
7003 Office Supplies	286.00	692.52
7004 Utilities	6,389.50	6,378.22
7005 Supplies and Equipment	298.00	453.30
7006 Maintenance and Repair	502.13	250.47
7007 Services — Pipes & Fittings	490.89	883.92
7008 Services — Contractual	648.00	912.00
7009 Services — Street Repairs	370.71	1,112.38

7010 Repairs to Mains		1,259.19
7011 Soda Ash	2,185.81	2,346.71
7012 South Milford Water Purchase	5,712.27	7,215.42
7013 Master Meter Water Purchase	6,929.01	7,060.02
7014 Gas, Oil and Fuel	480.26	591.74
7020 Pumping Station Maintenance & Repair	1,646.31	1,896.66
7025 Hydrant & Hydrant Repair		148.22
7026 Meter & Meter Repair	434.08	257.19
7050 Compressor		2,771.01
 TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT	52,904.29	63,057.74
 Unclassified		
8001 Pension	16,566.06	14,211.60
8002 Insurance	18,741.65	20,000.00
8003 Town Cemetery	385.50	475.00
8004 Memorial Day	434.78	440.28
8005 Hopedale Village Cemetery	130.27	129.08
8006 Court Judgments	2,400.00	
8008 Group Insurance Appropriation	24,194.28	22,865.80
8009 Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School	35,751.75	33,092.00
8010 Reserve for Self Insurance	1,186.75	1,963.11
	99,791.04	93,176.87
 Maturing Debt and Interest		
9001 Temporary Loans	911,613.58	792,277.49
9002 Maturing School Bonds	70,000.00	70,000.00
9004 Hope Street Bridge Bonds	4,000.00	4,000.00
9005 Fire Truck Bonds	5,000.00	5,000.00
9006 New Fire Truck Bond	59,000.00	0,000.00
9007 Interest on Temporary Loans	13,671.36	8,128.58
9008 Interest on School Bonds	17,402.50	19,545.00
9009 Interest on Hope Street Bridge Bonds	128.00	256.00
9011 Interest on Fire Truck Bonds	265.85	470.35
	1,081,081.29	899,677.42
 Agency, Trust and Investment		
9101 Worcester County Sanatorium		667.86
9102 Dog Licenses for County	1,368.50	1,366.75
9103 State Parks & Reservations	17,122.67	10,768.90
9105 Worcester County Retirement Assess.	32,128.23	30,696.27
9106 County Tax	102,121.13	104,499.09
9108 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	370.35	419.40
9109 Central Mass. Air Pollution Control	145.55	123.72
9110 County Retirement Refund on Assess.		498.73
	153,256.43	149,040.72

Refunds and Transfers		
9201 Group Insurance Payroll Ded.	24,194.28	22,926.80
9202 Group Insurance Retiree Payments	1,871.28	1,697.24
9203 Federal Withholding Taxes	226,630.45	235,841.36
9204 Massachusetts Withholding Taxes	56,598.40	75,475.00
9205 County Retirement Fund	18,598.40	18,151.12
9206 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Refunds	2,947.42	1,440.18
9207 Real Estate & Personal Property		
Tax Refunds	2,349.41	3,476.51
9214 Cancelled Check Adjustment	469.78	4,907.70
TOTAL REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS	333,659.42	363,915.91
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,455,785.99	3,293,295.39

REPORT OF TREASURER
Anthony D. Perry
Year Ending December 31, 1973

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Cash on Hand January 1, 1973	\$ 205,294.17
Receipts - 1973	<u>3,636,123.89</u>
	3,841,418.06
Disbursements - 1973	<u>3,467,077.09</u>
Cash on Hand December 31, 1973	\$ 374,340.97

SUMMARY OF TRUST FUNDS AND INCOME

	Principal	Income
Library Department	\$ 73,230.16	\$ 2,523.03
Hopedale Charitable	5,756.27	247.81
Park Department	1,903.90	78.83
Hopedale Village Cemetery	3,183.50	130.95
Town Cemetery	369.41	20.98
Isabella F. Chase	*27,897.77	<u>1,830.22</u>
Park Department		
Daisy Dutcher Hammond Fund	<u>10,000.00</u>	
	\$122,341.01	\$ 4,831.82

*5,000.00 Transferred to General Fund

TREASURER'S REPORT OF OUTSTANDING DEBT
Year Ending December 31, 1973

Description	Years Remaining	Original Amount	Outstanding Dec. 31 1972	Principal Paid 1973	Outstanding Dec. 31 1973	Principal Due 1974	Interest Due 1974
							\$ -0-
Bridge Resurfacing	0	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Fire Truck Bonds	1	24,000.00	9,000.00	5,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	81.80
Memorial School	1	170,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	95.00
Memorial School	1	200,000.00	20,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	190.00
Jr.-Sr. High School	5	400,000.00	120,000.00	20,000.00	100,000.00	20,000.00	3,600.00
Jr.-Sr. High School & Memorial School	10	700,000.00	385,000.00	35,000.00	350,000.00	35,000.00	11,375.00
Fire Truck Bonds	4	50,000.00		10,000.00	40,000.00	10,000.00	1,350.00

RECAPITULATION FOR 1973-74 AND ESTIMATES FOR 1974-75

ACCOUNT	Eighteen-Month Appropriation	Receipts and Transfers	Total	Twelve-Month Expenditures	Balance	1974-75 Estimate
GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE						
General Administrative	67,847.00	67,847.00	44,869.63	22,977.37	54,224.00	
Town Accountant	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	500.00	1,250.00	
Town Counsel	1,875.00		1,875.00	1,250.00	625.00	1,500.00
Salaries Elected Officials	14,250.00		14,250.00	9,500.00	4,750.00	12,125.00
Planning Board	500.00		500.00	79.80	420.20	600.00
Town Hall	9,900.00		9,900.00	6,168.32	3,731.68	6,700.00
Legal Fees	1,500.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
Accounting Machine		973.33	973.33	973.33	-0-	
Surplus Property Officer	1,500.00		1,500.00	838.70	661.30	1,500.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY						
Police Department General	110,413.00	110,413.00	72,390.01	38,022.99	88,589.00	
Police Department Cruiser	3,300.00	3,300.00	3,246.28	53.72	3,500.00	
Police Department Radio	1,000.00		1,000.00	775.00	225.00	
Fire Department General	179,552.00	179,552.00	112,546.88	67,005.12	136,905.00	
Fire Department Resuscitator	400.00	400.00	388.55	11.45		
New Air Compressor					500.00	
Fire Department Scott Air Paks	1,320.00		1,320.00	1,291.82	28.18	
Paint Exterior Fire House					2,000.00	
Civil Defense	1,350.00	1,350.00	765.43	584.57	1,070.00	
Tree Warden	3,320.00	3,320.00	1,131.25	2,188.75	2,060.00	
Dutch Elm Disease	1,875.00	781.75	2,656.75	2,122.83	533.92	2,500.00
Insect Pest Control	1,875.00		1,875.00	42.70	1,832.30	1,250.00

Council on Aging	ASSISTANCE	11,588.00	11,588.00	3,648.82	7,939.18	9,890.00
HEALTH AND SANITATION						
Board of Health		20,966.00	20,966.00	17,475.82	3,490.18	8,225.00
Garbage Removal		33,700.00	33,700.00	23,233.28	10,466.72	25,450.00
Sewer		1,000.00	1,000.00	623.50	376.50	875.00
HIGHWAYS						
Highway General		216,224.00	216,224.00	98,562.82	117,661.18	147,630.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance		1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	—0—	
New Equipment		16,427.02	16,427.02	14,660.22	1,766.80	
Chapter 90 Reconstruction		8,000.00	28,516.86	36,516.86	36,516.86	
Street Sweeper			16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00	—0—
VETERANS SERVICES						
Veterans Benefits		30,920.00	30,920.00	15,017.74	15,902.26	16,000.00
SCHOOLS						
School General		1,885,640.00	1,885,640.00	1,128,325.80	757,314.20	1,301,700.00
Lunch Receipt Fund		71,136.63	71,136.63	70,539.66	596.97	
Athletic Receipt Fund		2,995.48	2,995.48	3,288.20	292.72—	
Vocational Education		27.00	27.00		27.00	
NDEA Title III		1,844.62	1,844.62		1,844.62	
Title I		8,971.13	8,971.13	8,856.92	114.21	
Title II		2,701.87	2,701.87	1,701.38	1,000.49	
Public Law 90—576		9,453.00	9,453.00	8,830.76	622.24	
Title II Special					483.37—	

ACCOUNT	Eighteen-Month Appropriation	Receipts and Transfers	Total	Twelve-Month Expenditures	Balance	1974-75 Estimate
Library General	35,565.00	514.61	36,079.61	23,933.27	12,146.34	25,300.00
Library Trust Fund		2,662.85	2,662.85		2,662.85	450.00
Historical Commission	645.00		645.00	13.24	631.76	400.00
LIBRARIES						
Park General	23,555.00	78.83	23,633.83	19,880.44	3,753.39	22,175.00
Conservation Commission		1,798.97	1,798.97	490.55	1,308.42	
Weed Control	8,000.00		8,000.00	4,500.00	3,500.00	5,000.00
Mosquito Control	4,000.00		4,000.00	2,396.90	1,603.10	3,000.00
RECREATION						
Water General	93,021.00		93,021.00	52,904.29	40,116.71	71,193.00
UTILITIES						
UNCLASSIFIED						
Pensions	21,318.00		21,318.00	16,566.06	4,751.94	16,600.00
Insurance	38,594.00		38,594.00	18,741.65	19,852.35	27,066.00
Town Cemetery	700.00		700.00	385.50	314.50	475.00
Memorial Day	1,000.00		1,000.00	434.78	565.22	500.00
Central Mass. Reg. Plan.	680.00		680.00	453.20	226.80	536.00
Group Insurance	37,500.00		37,500.00	24,194.28	13,305.72	25,000.00
BVRV School District	47,669.00		47,669.00	35,751.75	11,917.25	42,449.00
Street Lighting	22,750.00		22,750.00	11,200.28	11,549.72	17,000.00
Street Light Improvement	3,000.00	1,649.39	4,649.39	1,674.59	2,974.80	1,000.00
Reserve Fund	32,000.00		32,000.00	1,000.00	31,000.00	15,000.00
Reserve Self Insurance	4,500.00		4,500.00	5,536.89	1,186.75	4,350.14

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST

Maturing Bridge Bonds	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Maturing Fire Truck Bond	9,000.00	9,000.00	5,000.00
Maturing School Bonds	70,000.00	70,000.00	70,000.00
Maturing Fire Truck Bond	10,000.00	69,000.00	59,000.00
Interest Bridge Bonds	128.00	128.00	128.00
Interest Fire Truck Bond	348.00	348.00	347.65
Interest School Bonds	35,032.00	35,032.00	17,545.00
Interest Temporary Loans	18,000.00	18,000.00	13,671.36
Interest Fire Truck Bond	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,500.00
TOTALS	3,135,520.00	227,570.23	3,363,090.23
		2,058,728.36	1,304,361.87
			2,203,576.00

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Town of Hopedale, Mass.
FIRE ALARM BOX LOCATIONS (1974)

12 South Main Street—At Mendon Town Line
13 South Main Street—Corner Warfield Street
14 South Main Street—Corner Mellen Street
15 South Main Street—At Tire Shop
16 South Main Street—Corner Plain Street
17 South Main Street—At Milford Town Line
21 Rockwell Int. — Garage
23 Rockwell Int. — Pattern Safe
24 Freedom Street—Corner Hopedale Street
25 Rockwell Int. — South End Dept. #9
26 Union Street — Near Hopedale Street
27 Rockwell Int. — Main Door, Hopedale Street
28 Rockwell Int. — West End Dept. #33
29 Rockwell Int. — Old Foundry Office
31 Dutcher Street — Corner Lower Jones Road
32 Northrop Street — Corner Park Street
33 Dutcher Street — Corner Freedom Street
34 Fire Station — Dutcher Street
41 Freedom Street — Corner Progress Street
42 Bancroft Park — West Street
51 Plain Street — Corner Newton Street
52 Rosenfeld Sand Pit — Plain Street
71 Overdale Parkway — Corner Western Avenue
112 South Main Street — Near Charlesgate Road
113 South Main Street — At Garden Nursing Home
114 Mendon Street — Corner Hill Street
115 Mendon Street — Opposite Hammond Road
121 Mendon Street — Corner Highland Street
122 Daniels Street — Corner Highland Street
123 Adin Street — Midway
124 Adin Street — Memorial School
125 Adin Street — Oakledge Manor Nursing Home
126 Adin Street — High School
127 Adin Street — Sannicandro Apartments
131 Hopedale Street — Corner Greene Street
132 Hopedale Street — Corner Thwing Street
133 Hopedale Street — Sacred Heart Church
134 Hopedale Street — Corner Mendon Street
135 Hopedale Street — Housing for Elderly
136 Hopedale Street — Post Office
137 Hopedale Street — Corner Hope Street
141 Mellen Street — Corner Howard Street
211 Rockwell Int. T.H. West Foundry
311 Inman Street — Corner Elm Street
312 Dutcher Street — Near Elm Street
313 Dutcher Street — Corner Dennett Street
314 Park Street School
315 Dutcher Street School
322 Northrop Street — Corner Freedom Street
331 Union Street — Near Prospect Street
334 Dutcher Street — Union Church

341 Driftway — At Cutler Street
344 Dutcher Street — At Driftway
411 Lake Street
413 Freedom Street — West of Bridge
421 Hope Street
— Corner Cemetery Street
512 Plain Street — Corner Mill Street
513 Mill Street
— Between Greene & Plain Streets
514 Mill Street
— At M.C. Machine Shop
515 Mill Street
— Near Mendon Town Line
1311 Greene Street
— Opposite No. 76
1351 Hopedale Street
— Housing for Elderly — New

General Signals

1 Blast —
Chief of Department

2 Blasts - Four Times —
No School

4 Blasts — Squad Call

5 Blasts Twice —
Police Call

8 Blasts — Forest Fire
or House Call

